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All interested in the welfare of Seamen and the Society are invited to attend.
B. H. HEWETT,
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(1) To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet up to 31st December 1916.
(2) To declare a Dividend on Preference, Ordinary and Deferred Shares.
(3) Two Directors retire by rotation under Clause 109 of the Articles of Association, but offer themselves and are eligible for re-election.
(4) To transact any other business that may be brought forward by the Chairman.
(5) To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 26th February to 12th March 1917, both days inclusive.
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DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.
All that piece or parcel of leasehold land of quit and ground rent tenure containing by admeasurement 577 7/9 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 2127, New No. 9227, Old Survey No. 842 and New Survey No. 7885 together with the messuage tenement or building known as Chawl No. B standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under D Ward No. 1897(1) Street No. 2 all which premises are situate at and on the southern side of Khetwadi Main Road at Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and are bounded on the East by other property of the Vendor known as Chawl No. A, on the West partly by a private passage and partly by the property of Anandrao Bhasker Joshi, on the North by the Khetwadi Main Road and on the South by the property of Piraji Maloji Borekar and were formerly and are now in the occupation of the said Vendor and his tenants.
Dated this 19th day of February 1917.
SHROFF & DINSHAW,
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SALE BY AUCTION

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY at SADASHIV STREET, WITHOUT THE FORT.
Under instructions from D. J. Mantri, Esq., Attorney for Mr. Anandrao Wasudeo Naik, the mortgagee Messrs. GANDHI & Co. Auctioneers will put up for sale by public auction on MONDAY, the 26th day of February 1917, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the premises the immoveable property described in the Schedule hereunder on account and at the risk of Shanker Ballaji Navalkar and others the mortgagors in exercise of the power of sale reserved to the said mortgagee by an Indenture of Mortgage made on the 5th day of March 1914 between the mortgagors of the one part and the mortgagee of the other part.
SCHEDULE.
All that piece or parcel of Pension and Tax land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being at Sadashiv Street without the Fort of Bombay and in the registration district and Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement one hundred and eighty four (184) square yards or thereabouts and bounded on or towards the North by the property of Parwatibai, wife of Wasudeo Bapuji on or towards the South by the property of Laxmibai wife of Sadanand Rambhat on or towards the East by the Oart of Pandurang Vithoba and on or towards the West by the public passage and which said premises are registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 531 and New No. 2582 Old Survey No. 536 and New Survey No. 7817 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward D No. 953 and Street No. 11 and are now in the occupation of the mortgagors and their tenants.
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Bombay, 21st Feb. 1917.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTIES SITUATE AT BENHAM HALL LANE GIRGAUM, BOMBAY.
and
Lands and Cocoanut Oarts at Andheri and at the villages of Juvem and Versowa near Andheri out of Bombay.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.
Suit No. 1359 of 1915.
Shrikrishna Dinanath Dandekar and others ..... Plaintiffs.
vs.
Dinanath Balkrishna Dandekar and others. .....Defendants.
Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co., will, under instructions from Mr. Hiralal Mansukhlal Munshi, the Receiver and Special Commissioner, appointed in the above suit and in pursuance of the directions contained in the Consent Decree made in the above suit on the 9th day of November, 1916, sell by Public Auction, the undenmentioned properties on the premises.
All that right, title and interest of the plaintiffs and defendants in this suit in the following properties:—
LOT NO. 1.
Sale on WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of February 1917 at 4 p.m., (S.T.), on the premises.
PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.
All that piece of land of the pension and tax tenure, containing by admeasurment 380 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 510, Collector's New No. 2499, Old Survey No. 573, and New Survey No. 4-7887, with the messuage, tenements or dwelling house standing thereon assessed by the Municipality under Ward D. No. 329 (1), Street No. 19 and Ward No. 329 (2), and Street No. 9 all which premises are situate at and on the west side of Benham Hall Lane, in the City and Registration District of Bombay, and are bounded on or towards the North by the property of Narayan Luxman, on or towards the South by the property of Nana Govind, on or towards the West by Bhatwady Lane, and on or towards the East by the said Benham Hall Lane.
LOT NO. 2.
Sale on the above day at 4-30 p.m., (S.T.), on the Premises.
Immediately after the Lot No. 1 is sold.
PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.
All that piece of pension and tax land containing by admeasurement 227 square yards or thereabouts registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 510, Collector's New No. 2502, Old Survey No. 573, and New Survey No. 7888, together with the tenement or building, standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under D. Ward No. 334, and Street No. 14, all which premises are situate at and on west side of Benham Hall Lane in the City and Registration District of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the North by the property of the mortgagor hereinafter described in Lot No. 3, on or towards the South by the property of Narayan Luxman, on or towards the West by the said Bhatwady Lane and on or towards the East by the said Benham Hall Lane.
LOT NO. 3.
Sale on the above day at 5 p.m., (S.T.), on the premises.
Immediately after the Lot No. 2 is sold.
PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.
All that piece of Pension and Tax land containing by admeasurement 156 square yards or thereabouts registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 510, Collector's New No. 2501, Old Survey No. 573, and New Survey No. 27887, together with the tenement or building standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay, under D Ward No. 336, and Street No. 16, all which premises are situate at and on the West side of Benham Hall Lane in the City and Registration District of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the North by the property of Byramjee Pestonjee Mehta, on or towards the South by the property of the mortgagor hereinabove described in Lot No. 2, on or towards the West by Bhatwady Lane and on or towards the East by the said Benham Hall Lane.
LOT NO. 4.
Property at the village of Juevm near Andheri.
Sale on the above day at the premises of Lot No. 3.
Property immediately after the Lot No. 3 is sold.
PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.
All that piece of cocoanut garden land known by the name of Kady Wady containing by admeasurement 4½ gunthas or thereabouts registered under and forming part of Survey No. 2, Pot No. 4, all which premises are situate in Mouze Jue Pot Tukdi Taluka Salsette Tukdi Thana in Registration Sub-District of Salsette and are bounded on or towards the East by the land next hereinafter described under No. 2, bearing Survey No. 2, Pot No. 14, on or towards the West by the public road, on or towards the North by the garden land of Luxman Panduji and on or towards the South by the garden land of Wasudeo Bapu Nayak and others.
LOT NO. 5.
Versova near Andheri Property.
Sale on Sunday, the 18th day of March, 1917, at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.), on the premises.
PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.
All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground situate at Versova in Salsette Taluka, in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra described in conveyance, dated the 15th day of February, 1893, as containing 13 acres and 23 gunthas and described in the Release, dated 19th June, 1913, and Consent Decree, dated 9th November, 1916, as containing 19 acres or thereabouts bearing New Survey No. 21, Pot No. 1, 22, Pot No. 1, 23, Pot No. 1 and 24, Pot No. 1 and known as Khar and Wady and bought by the late Balkrishna Ramchandra Nayak Dandekar from Jugganath Shanker Bhende and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Phillip Peter, on or towards the West by a Khadi, on or towards the North by Khar of Phillip Patel.
LOT NO. 6.
Versova near Andheri Property.
Sale on Sunday, the 18th day of March, 1917, as above immediately after the Lot No. 5 is sold.
PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.
All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground known as Cocoanut Oart situate at Versova in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra containing by admeasurement 6 acres or thereabouts bearing New Survey Nos. 52 and 53 and Pot Nos. 1 and 1, and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East and West by Government Road, on or towards the South by a Gawn and on or towards the North by a Wady of Muncherji Rustomji.
LOT NO. 7.
Andheri near Kala Hills Property.
Sale on Sunday, the 25th day of March, 1917, at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.), on the premises.
PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.
All that piece or parcel of Khoti land or ground situate at Andheri near Kala Hills, in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra, containing by admeasurment 13 acres or thereabouts bearing New Survey No. 33, Pot Nos. 5, 12, 14 and 23, Survey No. 39 and Pot No. 8, Survey No. 32, Pot No. 5 and bounded as follows, that is to say on or towards the East by the Kala Hills, on or towards the West and North by the B. B. and C. I. Railway lines, and on or towards the South by the land belonging to Ardeshir Nowroji Wadia.
For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Mansukhlal Hiralal Mehta and Co., Attorneys for the Receiver and Special Commissioner at their Office 21, Medows Street, Fort, or to the undersigned.
SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
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Bombay, 21st February, 1917.

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Bombay, 19th Feb. 1917.

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Barometer corrected to 31 deg Fahs....	29.864	Inch.
Temperature of Air	79.0	Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	73.2	,,
Deg Points	70.5	,,
Relative humidity of Air	0.766	,,
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky Monday—10)	0.0	,,
Maximum temperature of Air	85.1	,,
Minimum .....do.....	73.1	,,
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight.....	NNW,NNE,ENE,NW.	
Movement of Wind do. do.	179 Miles.	

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.		Day of Month.	LOW WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.	
	Feb.		h. m.	ft.	in.	Feb.		h. m.	ft.	in.
Tues.	20	m	10 7	27	0	20	m	4 21	18	5
			10 55a	29	6			4 13a	15	4
Wed.	21	m	10 59	28	2	21	m	5 0	16	11
			11 33a	29	2			5 0a	14	10
Thur.	22	m	11 47	29	1	22	m	5 38	15	8
								5 44a	14	10
Fri.	23	m	0 10	30	6	23	m	6 16	14	13
			0 32a	29	6			6 26a	15	0
Sat.	24	m	0 46	30	3	24	m	6 54	14	6
			1 16a	29	5			7 7a	16	2
Sun.	25	m	1 22	29	7	25	m	7 33	14	9
			1a	28	9			7 47a	17	4
Mon.	26	m	1 59	28	6	26	m	8 13	15	4
			2 48a	27	8			8 28a	18	10

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Feb.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
,, 20 (Tuesday)	,, 7h. 5m.	,, 6h. 41m.
,, 21 (Wednesday)	,, 7h. 4m.	,, 6h. 41m.
,, 22 (Thursday)	,, 7h. 4m.	,, 6h. 42m.
,, 23 (Friday)	,, 7h. 3m.	,, 6h. 42m.
,, 24 (Saturday)	,, 7h. 2m.	,, 6h. 43m.
,, 25 (Sunday)	,, 7h. 1m.	,, 6h. 43m.
,, 26 (Monday)	,, 7h. 1m.	,, 6h. 44m.

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

First Quarter	1917	Jan. 30th	6h. 31.5m.	a.m
Full Moon	1917	Feb. 7th	8h. 58.4m.	a.m
Last Quarter	,,	15th	7h. 23.2m.	a.m.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, on the 20th February 1917 was 30 046 inches. For temperature correctione applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by 0.31 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded 8 hours on Tuesday, the 20th February 1917, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are heavily clouded in the south-west Punjab and lighly or moderately clouded elsewhere. Humidity is in moderate to considerable defect. Temperature continues in excess.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature continues higher than usual.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are moderately clouded in upper Sind, lightly clouded at Bikaner and clear elsewhere. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature continues in excess.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are generally clear. The air is damper than usual. Temperature continues generally in excess.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in excess. Temperature continues in excess in the northern half of the division.

The Konkan.—Skies are heavily clouded at Bombay and clear elsewhere. Humidity is in defect at Ratnagiri but in slight excess at Bombay.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. Day temperature is in excess at Malegaon.

General Remarks.—Weather has again been dry. A depression of considerable intensity has appeared over upper Sind and skies have become lightly or moderately clouded in upper Sind and the Punjab. Temperature remains higher than usual to the north of the latitude of Surat.

Some showers are likely in north-west India. A few showers may occur in the extreme south.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 a. m. on TUESDAY, the 20th of February 1917.

STATIONS.	Temp. in Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours	Temp. in Shade. Minimum of past 24 hours	Humidity. 8 A. M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours	Rainfall. Total, 1st Nov. to date.	Rainfall. Departure, 1st Nov. to date.
PERSIAN GULF—						
Bushire ..	...	...	...	..	...	...
Do. (19th Feb.) ..	64.8	55.2	78	..	7.53	—1.23
Jask ..	74.9	66.7	80	0.03	4.22	1.26
Musket ..	...	...	...	..	...	...
Do. (19th Feb.) ..	84.3	72.0	82	..	3.05	0.34
PUNJAB						
Multan ..	87.3	57.8	56	..	0.23	—0.82
Rawalpindi ..	77.5	46.2	37	..	0.64	—4.75
Lahore ..	83.8	51.1	70	..	0.12	—2.11
Hissar ..	86.6	53.4	49	..	0.07	—3.85
Ambala ..	84.7	53.1	46	..	0.45	—1.33
Delhi ..	85.2	58.6	50	..	0.85	
UNITED PROVINCES—						
Agra ..	87.7	57.5	43	..	0.46	—0.80
Mainpuri ..	85.7	56.1	63	..	1.56	—0.43
Jhansi ..	91.1	59.3	54	..	2.14	0.78
Cawnpore ..	85.8	59.5	55	..	3.87	2.27
Allahabad ..	87.6	57.9	46	..	2.88	1.03
SIND AND RAJPUTANA						
Jacobabad ..	93.1	66.0	57	..	0.09	—0.69
Karachi ..	80.5	71.7	82	..	0.18	—0.95
Ajmer ..	87.7	57.9	54	..	0	—0.99
Jaipore ..	89.7	54.7	38	..	0.41	—0.63
Kotah ..	92.2	64.6	48	..	0.12	—0.58
Mount Abu ..	72 6	50.8	38	..	0.41	—0.55
GUJARAT, KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA WEST—						
Bhuj ..	92.3	64.7	32	..	0.53	0.18
Dwarka ..	81.0	72.4	86	..	0	—0.62
Veraval ..	79.6	68.6	89	..	0	—0.44
Rajkot ..	90.2	61.7	88	..	0.02	—0.40
Bhavnagar Para ..	95.6	64.0	92	..	0	—0.43
Surat ..	92.5	67.1	71	..	0	—0.31
Ahmedabad ..	92.3	65.0	77	..	1.04	0.71
Deesa ..	90.8	59.4	71	..	1.15	0.72
Neemuch ..	88.9	61.0	59	..	1.13	0.48
Indore ..	88.1	58.1	53	..	1.76	1.00
CENTRAL PROVINCES—						
Jubbulpore ..	87.1	56.9	69	..	5.23	3.28
Saugor ..	87.8	61.8	44	..	3.06	1.22
Hoshangabad ..	88.7	58.0	76	..	4.66	3.23
Khandawa ..	92.1	63.9	51	..	1.63	0.67
Akola ..	93.4	59.2	45	..	4.67	3.06
Amraoti ..	92.8	63.5	40	..	4.11	2.45
Nagpur ..	92.7	58.9	60	..	5.67	3.74
Chanda ..	93.1	58.2	64	..	4.64	2.99
Ra pur ..	91.1	64.6	68	..	5.92	4.57
KONKAN—						
Bombay ..	85.1	71.5	84	..	2.40	1.85
Ratnag ri ..	87.9	70.5	41	..	8.65	7.96
Marmugao ..	86.3	72.2	91	..	5.50	4.31
Karwar ..	86.5	66.1	90	..	9.68	7.75
BOMBAY DACCAN AND HYDERABAD—						
Malegaon ..	98.9	56.5	45	..	1.65	0.83
Ahmednagar ..	91.2	56.9	43	..	2.08	0.81
Poona ..	92.4	56.7	64	..	2.95	1.83
Sholapur ..	94.4	66.1	29	..	9.14	7.66
Bijapur ..	92.7	62.2	39	..	9.80	8.57
Belgaum ..	90.0	57.7	56	..	11.56	9.64
Aurangabad ..	91.7	62.1	42	..	2.65	0.89
Nizamabad (Indur).	92.9	63 7	44	..	3.21	2.18
Hyderabad ..	90.9	64.2	55	..	3.99	2.55
MALABAR AND CEYLON						
Mangalore ..	90.4	69.6	65	..	6.27	2.90
Calicut ..	87.6	70.4	83	—	6.20	—0.15
Dochra ..	89.7	73.5	75	..	4.84	—4.23
Colombo ..	87.2	72.2	99	0.83	15.61	—7.09
MADRAS EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—						
Masulipatam ..	89.0	64.9	90	..	11.06	4.41
Bellary ..	93.3	65.7	50	..	5.73	3.50
Cuddapah ..	96.5	66.8	60	..	4.87	0.13
Madras ..	87.5	65.9	86	..	18.52	—1.69
Bangalore ..	87.3	56.5	44	..	11.10	7.41
Coimbatore ..	92.1	59.6	56	..	7.26	2.02
Trichinopoly ..	94.5	69.5	76	..	3.38	—5.46
Nagapatam ..	83.9	68.5	85	..	16.40	—12.68

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Liverpool, Feb. 19th.

		Bales
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool		8,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.		2,000
" " Sales of East Indian		450
" " Imports		15,000
Mid. Americans		10.90
Egyptian F. G. F.		31.95
New York 11 a.m. (As known in closing time.) Liverpool at	March	16 05
	May	16.10
New Orleans 10 a.m.	March	16.80
	May	15.85

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Feb. 19th.

Months	To-day's closing price	
February	10 60	+29
Feb.-March	10.57	
March-April	10.54	+28
April-May	10.50	
May-June	10.47	+29
June-July	10.42	
July-Aug	10.37	+28
Aug.-Sep	10.14	+27
Sept.-Oct.	9.82	+19
Oct.-Nov.	9.69	
Nov.-Dec.	9.59	+ 6
Dec.-Jan.	9.53	+13
Jan.-Feb	9.50	+12
Feb.-Mar	9.50	

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Liverpool, Feb. 19th.

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" "	Fully Good	8.15
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" No. 1 Oomra	Good	8 92
" "	Fully Good	8.80
" "	Fine	9 05
" Broach	Good	9 89
" "	Fully Good	10 17
" "	Fine	10 25
" Scinde	Good	7.82
" "	Fully Good	8 00
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AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York markets closed on Thursday 22nd February.

MONEY MARKET.

London, Feb. 19th.

Silver	38 1/8 No change.

BOMBAY MARKETS

Owing to Maha Shivratri Holiday the Markets were Closed yesterday.

INDIAN SPECIE BANK.

THIRD DIVIDEND AT 4 ANNAS PER RUPEE.

By the order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Macleod, the Official Liquidator of the Indian Specie Bank, Ltd., has declared a third dividend at the rate of four annas in the rupee payable on and from the 1st April 1917. This dividend will bring up the distribution to creditors whose admitted claims amount to over Rs. 10 to twelve annas in the rupee.

A DAUGHTER OF FRANCE.

HEROISM IN FACE OF THE ENEMY,

At the Sorbonne on January 21 a *matinée* was organized in honour of French womanhood, and the heroism of a young girl of 21 was celebrated. This girl, Marcelle Semmer, was decorated with the Croix de Guerre and the Legion of Honour.

During the retreat in August, 1914, after the French had crossed the Somme and its Canal, pursued by the enemy, Marcelle Semmer had the presence of mind to open the sluice gates in order to prevent the Germans from crossing the canal. This act of heroism was carried out under the fire of the Germans, who fired on her and on French troops. As a result the enemy troops were held up until the following morning.

Remaining in the village, the girl was able to pick up and to hide underground 16 exhausted French soldiers, whom she helped to escape in civilian clothes. Having been caught by the enemy in the act of feeding a French soldier hidden in a thicket, she was condemned to death. When questioned, she replied:—"I am an orphan, and have but one mother—France. Do with me what you will."

She was on the point of being executed when a *ratale* from the French artillery dispersed the Germans. She then hid in an underground vault, and was saved next day when the village was retaken by the French. While serving as a guide to a patrol she was again taken prisoner, but after being shut up in a church she escaped in the night through a shell-hole and regained the French lines.—Wireless Press message in "The Times."

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COMPANY MEETINGS.

AHMEDABAD-PRANTEJ RAILWAY COMPANY.

The 22nd ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway Company, Limited, took place yesterday.

The net receipts of the line for the year ended 30th September 1916, amounted to Rs. 1,94,694-12-5. Of this amount Rs. 50,000 being the estimated earnings for the last quarter of 1915, was credited to last year's Revenue Account, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,44,694-12-5 for the first nine months of 1916. To this has to be added the net receipts for the last three months of the year which are estimated approximately at Rs. 40,000 bringing the total net receipts up to Rs. 1,84,694-12-5. The Directors declared an ad-interim dividend at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, or Rs. 15 per share, free of Income Tax, which absorbed Rs. 75,000 leaving Rs. 1,09,694. After adding the amount brought forward from last year and miscellaneous receipts, and deducting expenses, including interest to debenture-holders, there is a balance of Rs. 51,483. To this the Directors decided to add Rs. 25,000 from the Reserve Fund making a total of Rs. 76,483 available for disposal which they proposed to apply as follows:—1. Dividend for the second half-year ended 31st December 1916, at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, less Income-Tax Rs. 75,000; 2. Bonus to Company's Office Clerks Rs. 500; 3. Balance to be carried forward Rs 983. Total Rs. 76,483.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the Director's Report and Audited Statement of Accounts said:—I have to express regret that the result of the year's working has not proved as satisfactory as I hoped when I addressed you last year and that to pay the proposed dividend of 6 per cent we have had to draw on our Reserve Fund to the extent of Rs. 25,000 for which purpose however the fund was partially formed.

The causes that have contributed to the poor year are three. Firstly owing to the scanty rainfall in 1915 the earnings from the carriage of goods show a considerable decline, secondly as I indicated last year would have to be the case a sum of Rs. 20,000 has been deducted from the earnings in part payment of the erroneous previous credit of Rs. 43,741-12-0 on account of charges collected at the Out Agencies of Modassa and Harsol for the carriage of Goods to and from Talod and thirdly the increase in Income Tax from 5 pies to 1 anna in the rupee.

I think I may say that this decline in our profits is purely temporary as with good rains there is no reason why our traffic should not be as great in volume as in former years, the adjustment which I have mentioned above will be completed with the exception of Rs. 3,000 off during the current year and after the War there is I hope some possibility of Income Tax being somewhat reduced.

At the same time I am afraid I cannot hold out hope of much recovery during the current year. The adjustment of Rs. 20,000 will have to be made and Income Tax will no doubt be the same and though the volume of traffic would in normal circumstances probably have improved somewhat owing to the beneficial rains of last monsoon restrictions necessitated by the war must tend adversely.

In this latter connection as you are all doubtless aware it has been found necessary in Imperial interests to curtail train services generally throughout the country in which curtailment your railway has had to participate and in addition on account of the severe coal crisis traffic has unfortunately to contend with temporary restriction of bookings.

I am sure however that you will agree with me in thking that we are suffering very little comparatively from the effects of this terrible war.

You will no doubt have noticed that your Directors propose to adopt the English practice and to pay dividends less Income Tax and in this connection you will of course realise that it is the same to shareholders whether they receive a lower percentage free of Income-tax or a higher percentage less income-tax. The main reason however which influenced your Directors in their decision is that the profits of Companies are now taxed at 1 anna in the rupee whereas private incomes are taxed on a graduated scale according to the amount of income. If the Company paid dividends free of income-tax it might be difficult for a shareholder, entitled to be taxed on a lower scale, to obtain a refund, whereas on the system proposed a certificate will be issued with each dividend warrant which will enable shareholders entitled to obtain a refund to do so without difficulty, the Income Tax Collector having agreed to recognise such certificate issued by the Company.

The report and accounts were adopted.

AHMEDABAD-DHOLKA RAILWAY COMPANY.

The 16th ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway Company, Limited was held yesterday.

The net receipts of the line for the year ended 30th September 1916, amounted to Rs. 64,940. Of this amount Rs. 15,500 being the estimated earnings for the last quarter of 1915, was credited to last year's Revenue Account, leaving a balance of Rs. 49,440 for the first nine months of 1916. To this has to be added the net receipts for the last three months of the year which are estimated approximately at Rs. 16,000 bringing the total net receipts up to Rs. 65,440.

The Directors declared an ad-interim dividend at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, or Rs. 2-8-0 per share, free of Income Tax, which absorbed Rs. 28,750 leaving Rs. 36,690. To this had to be added the amount brought forward from last year and miscellaneous receipts, and after deducting expenses there was a balance of Rs. 22,489 available for disposal which the Directors proposed to apply as follows:—1. Dividend for the second half-year ended 31st December 1916, at the rate of 3½ per cent per annum, less Income-Tax Rs. 21,562; Balance to be carried forward Rs. 926. Total Rs. 22,489.

The Chairman, Mr. T. W. Birkett in moving the adoption of the Director's Report and Audited Statement of Accounts said:—Our revenue, as you will see from the accounts, has fallen considerably and expenses have been added to by the increased Income Tax. The decline in earnings is due to the poor rainfall in 1915 and it is very unfortunate that in such a lean year we should be further handicapped by an increase in expenses.

I am hopeful that earnings will be better in the current year after the beneficial rains of last monsoon but I must warn you that the temporary suspensions of goods bookings and curtailment of train services due to the severe coal crisis through which we are passing and the restriction on train services generally throughout the country due to the war must have some adverse effect. During January owing to the coal crisis the services on your railway had to be reduced to one train each way daily but I am glad to say that it was found possible to resume the normal service from 1st February.

You will no doubt have noticed that your Directors propose to adopt the English practice and to pay dividends less Income Tax and in this connection you will of course realise that it is the same to shareholders whether they receive a lower percentage free of income-tax or a higher percentage less income-tax. The main reason however which influenced your Directors in their decision is that the profits of Companies are now taxed at 1 anna in the rupee whereas private incomes are taxed on a graduated scale according to the amount of income. If the Company paid dividends free of income-tax it might be difficult for a shareholder, entitled to be taxed on a lower scale, to obtain a refund, whereas on the system proposed a certificate will be issued with each dividend warrant which will enable shareholders entitled to obtain a refund to do so without difficulty, the Income Tax Collector having agreed to recognise such certificates issued by the Company.

The Report and Accounts were adopted.

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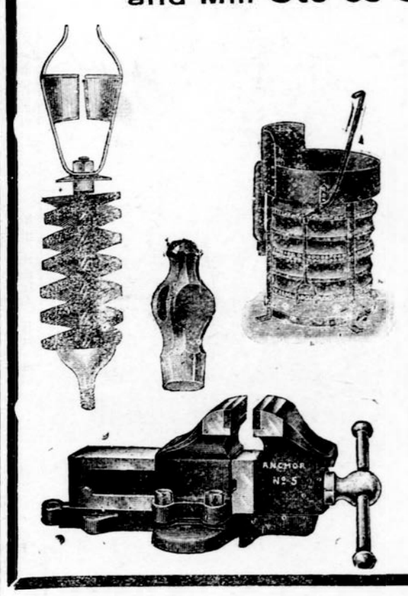

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TO-DAY.

Parsi: 14th of Sheherevar, 1286.
Mahomedan 28th of Rubee-ul-Akhir, 1335.
Hindu: 14th of Magh Vad, 1973.
Sunrise: 7h. 4m.; Sunset: 6h. 41m.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

Unveiling of Mr. Gokhale's Portrait, Elphinstone College, 5-15 p.m.

THURSDAY, February 22.

Chung Ling Soo at 6 and 9-30 p.m.

Meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

Central Bank of India, Ltd., Ordinary General Meeting, Alice Buildings, Fort, 4-30 p.m.

Bombay Harbour Mission and Seamen's Institute, Annual Meeting, Cathedral Vestry Fort, 6-15 p.m.

SATURDAY, February 24.

Excelsior Theatre: Chung Ling Soo at 6 and 9-30 p.m.

Bombay Races: Fifth Day.

DAILY.

Excelsior Theatre: Chung Ling Soo, at 9-30 and Cinema at 6-30.
Empire Theatre: at 6-30, 8-30 and 10 p.m
Royal Opera House: 5-30 and 9-30 p.m.
Palace of Varieties: at 6-30 and 10 p.m. every Wednesday, Saturday and Monday, 10 p.m., Show every Sunday at 6-30 at Edwardes.
New Alexandra Cinema, Lohar Chawl, Princess Street.
Olympia Cinema, Sandhurst Road.
West End Cinema, Charni Road: 6-45, 8-30 and 10.
New Alhambra Cinema, Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30.
Anglo-American Cinema, Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

	Arr. H. M.	Dep. H. M.
Punjab Mail	16 0	14 25
Calcutta Mail (via Jubbulpore)	15 0	21 0
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	9 15	13 0
Madras Mail	8 10	21 30
Poona Mail	11 15	14 45
Delhi Express (3rd & Inter-Class)	8 40	7
Poona Express	19 35	7 55
South East Passenger	15 35 & 24	

Punjab, Calcutta and Madras Postal Expresses. (Departure Seven hours after Mail Steamer is signalled.)

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

	Arr. H. M.	Dep. H. M.
Northern Express	11 35	17 0
Gujarat Mail	8 35	21 0
Kathiawar Express 3rd Class	7 40	21 20
Slow Passenger	20 50	7 45

1ST BOMBAY TROOP BOMBAY B. P. SCOUTS

Orders for the week ending Saturday 24th instant:—

Wednesday 21st.—Plain clothes parade on Maidan at 5-30 p.m. Instructions in 1st Aid Ambulance and 2nd Class Tests, Clubs Scout Law and knots.

Friday 23rd.—Full uniform parade. Fall in on Maidan at 4-45 p.m. sharp, to proceed to D. S. M's house for Anniversary day celebrations. All P/L's to attend on Wednesday and a give exact number expected. No leave except on Medical Certificate.

Saturday 24th.—Details issued later.

Appointments.—Scout Finan to be Actg. Second of Beaver Patrol.

Enrolments.—Scout Fett to Kangaroo Patrol.

Orderly P/L.—P/L Banks.

Remarks.—The Officers of the troop hope that the troop will attend in full strength on Friday 23rd to celebrate six years formation of the Troop. All badges to be worn. Ceremonial uniform.

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A. S. M. in charge.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Bombay, Feb. 21.

566—Proficiency Class.—Candidates will parade on Tuesdays and Thursdays (morning) at 7-15 a.m. and on Wednesdays and Fridays (evening) at 6-30 p.m. at Headquarters. Pencils and Note Books to be brought on all parades. Dress.—Optional.

567—Musketry.—The Range is allotted as follows:—

Wednesday morning, February 21st, Cadets "K" Co., Wednesday afternoon, February 21st, Cadets "I" Company.

Thursday, February 22nd, "D" Company practice for Cup Shoot.

Friday, February 23rd, Reservists.

Saturday, February 24th, Reservists.

Sunday, February 25th, Casuals any Company.

Monday, February 26th, Casuals any Company.

Tuesday, February 27th, "D" Company Cup Shoot.

Wednesday, February 28th, Casuals.

There are still a number of men who have not completed musketry.

Officers Commanding Companies should apply for dates (morning or afternoon) on which their men can complete.

568—Competition.—The Leslie Cup Competition will be held on Sunday, February 25th. Instructions have been issued to Officers Commanding Companies.

571—Parades.—"C" Company. Recruits, Wednesday and Friday at 6-15 p.m. at Headquarters.

"F" Company.—Every Monday, at 6-15 p.m. at Headquarters. Dress—Drill order.

"G" Company.—Thursday, February 22nd, at the Gymkhana 7-15 a.m. Dress—Shirts and shorts. Members should note that the parade is on Thursday not Tuesday.

572—Registration Ordinance.—All members to whom this Ordinance applies, must register personally at the Head Police Office, Crawford Market between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. before the 2nd March. Registration papers will not be issued from and cannot be received at Battalion Orderly Room.

(Sd.) C. N. MOBERLY, Major,
Adjutant, Bombay Vol. Rifles.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

Bombay, Feb. 19.

Appointments.

No. 1400 Bombr. P. H. Reed, No. 1 Company, is appointed Pay Sergeant with effect from 19-2-17.

Proficiency Class.

A Proficiency Class will be held at Head Quarters on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays up to date of examination commencing 26th instant at 7-0 p.m. All members who have not passed this examination are requested to endeavour to do so. Examination will take place before the 31st March, 1917.

(Sd.) P. H. RETALLACK, Capt.,
Adjutant, Bombay Volunteer Artillery.

POONA VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

POONA, Feb. 20.

180—Parades.—Instructional parades will be held at Headquarters on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5-30 p.m.

"F" Company will parade at the Engineering College at 5-30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

181—Buglers.—There will be bugle practice at Headquarters at 5-30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

182—First Aid.—The First Aid Class will be held at Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

183—Miniature Range.—Wednesday, 21st, Miniature Rifle Club at 7-30 a.m.

Friday 23rd, and Saturday 24th, Officers' Revolver Competition at 8 a.m.

184—Prize Distribution.—The Annual Prize Distribution will be held at Headquarters on Friday, 9th March, 1917, at 5-45 p.m. Dress—Uniform.

185—Military Service.—All members of the Corps resident in Poona Collectorate who are European British Subjects and are not Government servants or Railway employees should apply to Headquarters at once for Form A of the Registration Ordinance, 1917.

186—Transfer.—No. 4312 Vol. F. B. Stewart from "A" Company to Res. Company.

No. 4134 Vol. C. G. Freke, from Nagar Dett. to "A" Company.

187—Increase.—The undermentioned having been enrolled is taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to Satara Dett.

No. 4525 Vol. C. N. Millard.

No. 4174 Vol. D. P. Satarawalla having rejoined is taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to Satara Department.

188—Decrease.—The undermentioned having left the station are struck off the strength of the Corps from this date.

No. 3689 Vol. M. B. Dossabhoy, Satara Dett.

No. 3590 Vol. W. E. Kirkpatrick, Satara Dett.

No. 4055 Vol. F. M. Pavri, Satara Dett.

(Sd.) A. R. KEARSEY, 2nd-Lieut.,
Adjutant, Poona Vol. Rifles.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V.D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play this evening a programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Band Master, commencing at 6-15 o'clock.

BAND AT ESPLANADB EANDSTAND.

By kind permission of the Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., B. B. and C. I. Ry. Vols., will play the following programme under the direction of Mr. W. S. Walcott, at Esplanade Bandstand, this evening, commencing at 6 o'clock:—

March—For King and Empire ..... Hume.
Overture—Le Cheval De Bronze ..... Auber.
Valse—Mon Reve ..... Waldteufel.
Selection—Reminiscences of Wales ... Godfrey.
Duet for Two Piccolos—Two Little Finches ..... Kling.
Selection—The Passing Show ..... Finck.
American Sketch—The Water Melon Patch ..... Bidgood.
Negro Dance—Uncle Rastus ..... Clapp.

TEE HOME RULE LEAGUE.

The weekly class for the study of "Indian Public Questions" conducted by Prof. P. K. Telang, will *not* meet this evening.

BRITANIA GIRLS' SCHOOL.

In connection with the celebration of the jubilee of the Britannia Girls' School, a gathering will be held at the Victoria Theatre, Grant Road, to-morrow at 5 p.m., under the chairmanship of Mr. H. K. Dinshaw Adenwalla, M.V.O.

A KARWAREE'S SUICIDE.

Mr. A. R. King, Deputy Coroner, held an inquest on the body of a Hindu aged 18, whose identity was not known.

It was stated that driver Pereira of the B. B. and C. I. Railway was driving a train from Grant Road to Charni Road on Monday, when he saw the deceased on the line about five yards from him. He rushed towards the engine, and the driver shouted to him, when the deceased threw himself on the line. Pereira put on his brakes at once, stopped the train and went up to the deceased who was found lying dead, two wheels having passed over him. The driver thought the deceased had committed suicide.

The jury returned a verdict of suicide. The body was identified subsequently as that of one Anant Ghanasham, a native of Karwar, whence he had recently come to Bombay.

FATAL CARRIAGE ACCIDENT.

Deputy Coroner Mr. A. R. King concluded the inquest in regard to the death of Khoda Phula, a sweeper's son, aged 5, who was knocked down on the DeLisle Road on the 14th instant by a hack victoria.

Shunker Laxman, a lawyer's clerk, deposed that the deceased was crossing the road, and the driver was not looking in front of him, but in the direction of his stables on his right. When witness shouted to the driver that the boy had been knocked down, he whipped his horse and drove at a fast speed. Witness took particular notice of the number of the victoria and identified the man from among a crowd at the Head Police Office Before the boy fell, the driver was driving fast, and as he was looking in the other direction, he did not notice the boy. The boy would not have been run over if the driver had been looking in front of him.

Other witnesses also gave evidence in support of the previous witness' statement.

The jury returned a verdict that the death of the boy was caused by his having been run over by a victoria, the driver of which Vali Memna was driving at the time in a negligent manner.

DOCK LABOURERS AND PRIMARY EDUCATION.

Under the auspices of the District Congress Committees of Bombay and the Deshasth Maratha Shrikrishna Samaj, a meeting of the labourers in the docks was held in a shed near the Bombay Port Trust Hamalage Office, opposite the Carnac Bridge, on Sunday, the 18th instant, to consider the question of free and compulsory primary education in the City of Bombay. Mr. D. G. Dalvi, M.A., LL.B., presided. The following resolution being proposed by Mr. S. V. Gaikwad, seconded by Mr. Hejib and supported by Mr. Saravade, was unanimously adopted:—

This meeting of the labourers working in the docks of Bombay, is of opinion that the Municipal Corporation of Bombay, (a) should provide forthwith increased facilities for free primary education to all children of the age 6 to 10; and (b) should take steps to make it, in course of time, compulsory in the case of such boys.

On the motion of Daji Hari Patil, seconded by Mr. Savalaram Patil, it was also resolved to request the Chairman of the meeting to forward the above resolution to the President of the Municipal Corporation of Bombay. After short speeches by Messrs. N. M. Joshi, C. B. Lalaye and Vithalrao Mundhe, the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chair.

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION AT JUNAGADH.

FAMOUS BREED OF CATTLE ON SHOW.

(From our Correspondent.)

The Kathiawar public had during the first week of the current month, an opportunity to witness a well-organised exhibition and cattle show at Junagadh. There was an Agricultural Section, in which the produce was arranged according to the different mahals of the State. The Baroda State had sent their entomological collection, which showed the different pests that infect agricultural crops in their various stages of life. Another section which attracted a great deal of attention was that of agricultural implements in which improved ploughs of various patterns, harrows, threshing machines, winnowers, etc., were exhibited, the authorities having also arranged for actual demonstrations, where cultivators could see for themselves how every one of these machines could be worked.

Demonstration plots had also been laid out, where the cultivator could at once see the difference between the ridge system and the bed system of cultivation.

FOREST AND INDUSTRIAL SECTIONS.

Next there was the Forest Section, in which the different forest products of the State were exhibited. The Junagadh Darbar owns the extensive Gir Forests producing different varieties of timbers, grasses, gums and other produce, which were all carefully arranged.

In the Industrial Section there was a number of improved hand-looms whose working was demonstrated on the spot. On the whole there was a deliberate attempt made to give as much of an educational character to the exhibition, as possible. Then there was the Women's Section and the Health Section, where exhibits of different kinds were on view. In the Women's Section could be seen specimens of the home industry of our middle-class women, of which some were of a kind of art that is disappearing now. Bead-work and crochet-work predominated in this Section. In the Health Section there were demonstrations of the ordinary life and its shortcomings and charts showing the incidence of several diseases in the different parts of the State, rates of mortality in different parts of the world and a chart showing the rainfall in Junagadh during the last 60 years, based on records kept in the Jain temples of Girnar. There were also posters on plague, malaria and specimens of mosquito-larvae and destroying fish. A First Aid station was also kept on the exhibition grounds to render aid in case of accidents and the volunteers who were in charge were able to render good aid in some serious cases of injury.

CATTLE SHOW.

The most interesting exhibits in the Junagadh Cattle Show, were the splendid specimens of cattle breed in the forest of Gir. These animals differ remarkably from all other existing breeds of cattle in India. The Gir breed is very famous for its well-shaped body and hardy nature. All other breeds have the one disqualification of soft feet, like the breeds of Gujarat, viz., Wadhiar, Kankarej, and Sindhi, being bred in soft and sandy soil. The Gir breed, on the other hand, are allowed to roam in forests and hilly tracts of Gir, where they have free and abundant pasture. This breed is also distinguished by its prominent forehead, long ears, broad chest, stout and fully developed legs and well laid shoulders. Their humps are also big-sized and the neck is well set on.

The cross by bulls of these famous and really useful breed with country cows, has produced the country-bred stock, which has proved so useful to cultivators. The number of bulls exhibited in the Show was 450.

KATHIAWAR HORSES.

There was another show of pure Kathi horses. The number of exhibits was only 50. As the owners of animals were more busy with their wheat-cutting and sugar-cane sowing work, they could not spare time to come to the metropolis with their animals for exhibition purposes. It is satisfactory to note that more attention is now being paid to rear and foster this dying-out breed of horses, which were very famous in days gone by. The pure-bred Kathiawar horses materially differ from all other breeds of horses in India,—both indigenous and exported in the following manner: They have smaller ears, bright and kind full eyes, well-laid shoulders, a fine glossy skin, beautiful small head, wide nostrils, full spirit and a flat and levelled forehead. The breed in general is very hardy and can stand all climates. They do not stumble like Arabs and this defect of stumbling is wanting even in aged, pure blood Kathiawar horses. The horse and mule breeding commission had described them in their report to the Government of India in 1900 A.D. as follows:—

"It demonstrates to the fullest extent not only what an excellent breed the Kathiawari is as a foundation, but also how thoroughly it is adapted to receive and bear good fruit to the gratt either of the Arab or thorough-bred. Owing to the want of true knowledge regarding Kathi horses, it was a common belief in the majority of people before this horse and mule breeding commission had assembled in India, that they are vicious and dangerous. But now experience has taught that they are especially good tempered and amenable. They are brought up in the very house of owner, are accustomed to persons and children around them and rarely kick or bite those who are in their constant touch."

It will be gratifying to know that the present Administrator of Junagadh is giving this subject close attention. One proof of his willingness is shown by the fact that several stallions are stationed in districts to get the mares of bona-fide breeders such as girassias and cultivators to be served gratis, and thereby create a new market for the supply of horses both to Government and to the public.

The exhibition was visited by a large number of high as well as middle class gentry of Kathiawar and the Sessions of the Gujarat and Kathiawar Cultivators' Conference being also held at the same time, brought together a large number of agriculturists who took keen interest in the exhibition and seemed to be deeply impressed with all that they had seen. His Highness the Minor Nawab Saheb and the Administrator as well as all the officers and leading gentlemen were seen, taking active interest in the movement.

WESTERN INDIA CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT.

In connection with the above Tournament the following matches were played yesterday:—

SINGLES.

Gupta beat Karve, 6-1; 6-3.

DOUBLES.

Burn and Gunther beat Shirgaoker and Pant, 6-3,; 6-0.

Bhadkamker and Wagle beat Chowbal and Tyabji, 6-0; 6-1.

Dewraj Urs and K. Swamy beat Capt. Kirkwood and Calvocoressi, 6-1; 6-4.

Jukes and Barraclough beat Chandavarker and S. M. Chothia, 6-3; 8-6.

Harwood and Fido beat A. Shakoor and Mehendale, 6-2; 3-6; 6-4.

Capt. Ali Raza and Bhojat Ali beat Gunjiker and Sunder Rao, 5-7; 6-3; 8-6.

Reid and Cheetham beat Kapadia and Belvadi, 6-2; 6-3.

Yamamato and Hata beat J. D. Chothia and Cuffe, 6-1; 6-0.

Dastoor and Naoroji beat Khambatta and Ranjanna, 6-3; 6-3.

England and Fisher beat Bunbury and V. Fox, 6-1; 6-4.

R. Morarji and Liladhar beat Merchant and Damodhar, 6-1; 9-7.

The following matches will be played today:—

Queen's Road Courts.
At 4-30 p.m.

Court No. 1.—Ranga Rao and Chief of Manavadar v. Gupta and Visram.
Court No. 2.—Fyzee and Chinmulgund v. Jackson and Irwin.
Court No. 4.—Wassoodeo v. Abdul Nabi.
Court No. 5.—Shete v. Kibblewhite.
Court No. 6.—Mehendale v. Jeejeebhoy.

At 5-30 p.m.

Court No. 1.—Mrs. Jukes and Jukes v. Mrs. Lindberg and Mr. Burn.
Court No. 2.—Ali Raza v. Chief of Manavadar.
Court No. 4.—Sunder Rao v. Harwood.
Court No. 5.—England v. Liladhar.
Court No. 6.—Naoroji v. Calvocoressi.

Bombay Gymkhana Courts.
At 4-30 p.m.

Court No. 6.—S. G. Whitney v. T. W. Brough.

At 5-30 p.m.

Court No. 4.—Dewraj Urs v. Kees.
Court No. 5.—Irwin v. Fox.
Court No. 6.—Chinmulgund v. Rahimtoola.
Court No. 7.—W. Reid v. Shirgaoker.

THE SOUTH INDIAN CLUB.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—Referring to the publication in your to-day's issue of the formation of a South Indian Club in Bombay, will you kindly allow me to request the authorities thereof through your columns, to throw open the doors of the Club to all South Indian residents in Bombay, so that they may all find a chance of occasional intercourse with each other? So far as I recollect, a general meeting of the South Indians in Bombay was held on the last day of April, last year, when a Committee was formed to frame a working scheme to be submitted to the next general meeting within three months. Over thrice the time is past and we now hear of a South Indian Club having been formed and nothing of the wonderful Committee. "Better late than never" but will those concerned take the anxious South Indians into their confidence and extend to them a voice in the affairs of the Association,—or Club, is it?—without merely calling upon them to submit to the mandates of a few exclusively privileged persons as is feared among many people.—Yours, etc.

A SOUTH INDIAN.

Feb. 20, 1917.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Feb. 20.

At the market to-day, there was very little change in the position, coal shares ruling firm with a strong inquiry and jute mill shares steady with a moderate business passing. The following sales took place:—

Coal:—Auckland 3-8; Bansra 24-8, 24-12; Bansjorah 16-4, 16-8; Bengal 825; Bhalgora 38-8; Bhulanbararee 48-8; Burra Dhemo 12-12, 13; Central Kurkend 36; Equitable (ord) 49-8 to 51; Ghusick 22-2, 22-6; Gopalichuck 11-8, 12; Jainty Central 16-12, 17; Lakurka 47-4, 47-12; Mucherridih 3-12; New Tetturya 11-12, 12; New Kessurgarh 13-12; Ondal (ord) 8; Pench River 19; Raneegunge 36-12; Samla Kendra 19-8; Sendra 21-8; Sowardih 13-4, 13-8; Teetulmuri 17-4, 17-8.

Jute:—Alliance (ord) 350; Auckland (ord) 180, 185; Barnagore (ord) 100, 101; Belvedere (ord) 325, Budge-Budge (ord) 350; Clive (ord) 131 to 133, 129; Empire (ord) 39, 39-4; Howrah (ord) 280; Howrah (préf) 114-8; Hooghly (ord) 55; Northbrook (ord) 28-12, 29, 29-4, 28-12, 29.

Miscellaneous:—Bank of Bengal 1,570; Bisra Stone Lime 26, 26-4.

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.

Wednesday, February 21, 1917.

GAGGING THE COUNCILS.

The rejection of Pundit Madan Mohan Malaviya's Resolution in the Imperial Legislative Council the other day proposing more frequent meetings of that Council revealed, as we have already remarked, the extent to which the spirit of the Minto-Morley Reform Scheme has been defeated. When an obviously modest demand of the character contained in that Resolution is met with the astonishing plea urged by Sir Reginald Craddock that its acceptance would involve an enchroachment on the discretion vested in the Viceroy to call the meetings when, and as often as, he deemed fit, it is not difficult to realize that such a dispensation, which leaves things practically where they were before as regards frequency of meetings, needs to be replaced by some arrangement that would fulfil the aims which the framers of the scheme had in view, of giving the people some tangible opportunity of influencing the course of administration and which would be compatible with the growing political consciousness of the people. Probably the result as revealed in the present arrangement was inevitable, inasmuch as the official heirarchy from the outset reserved to itself the ultimate power of framing the rules and regulations that were to give a practical shape to the proposals contained in the Reform Scheme. The scheme itself did not propose to give to the people any control over administration, but merely a measure of responsible association in administration. Another direction in which this opportunity of responsible association has been sought to be restricted is the manner in which resolutions on subjects of public importance proposed to be moved by non-official members of the Council have been disallowed under the authority vested in the heads of Governments by the rules governing the working of the Councils. This power has been recently resorted to with frequency,—especially in Bombay and Madras,—and the arbitrary and untenable grounds on which resolutions on matters agitating the public mind have been disallowed are too well-known to need recapitulation.

It is time, however, that steps should be taken to see that the Provincial Governments recognize, in the interest of public good, the unwisdom of their attitude, which is calculated to create an impression on the public mind that those now in authority are reluctant to fulfil the pledge given by the Government of India in their Resolution of 1909 on the Reform Scheme that Members of Legislative Councils,

> *"will, in future, take a real and active part in shaping the financial proposals of the year; and, as regards not only financial matters, but all questions of administration, they will have liberal opportunities of criticism and discussion and of initiating advice and suggestions in the form of definite resolutions."*

It is unnecessary to emphasise the harm that the existence of such a feeling among the people is capable of doing. Unfortunately there seems to be no sign that the extent or the character of the harm that may arise is realized in official quarters. On the other hand, there is distinct evidence to point to a persistent tendency to adhere to a regrettable line of action. The arbitrary use of the power seems to be the result of the absolute discretion vested in the head of a Provincial Government by clause 7 of the rules. "The President," so runs the clause, "may disallow any resolution or part of a resolution without giving any reason therefor other than that in his opinion it cannot be moved consistently with the public interests or that should be moved in the Legislative Council of another Local Government or of the Governor-General." That the only remedy for the present unsatisfactory state of things is a suitable modification of this absolute discretion has been clearly brought home by a few years' working of the Legislative Councils. The proceedings of the Madras Legislative Council which met during the first week of the month afford fresh evidence pointing to the same conclusion and in view of the forthcoming session of the Bombay Legislative Council it may not be unprofitable to note how the power of disallowing resolutions was exercised by Lord Pentland. The agenda for the meeting of the Madras Legislative Council contained a list of twenty-eight resolutions on matters of general public interest, though, it appears that more than a dozen other resolutions were disallowed. It is enough to note the subjects of these resolutions to realize how unnecessary, ill-advised and arbitrary the exercise of the direction vested in the President has been. Thus the Hon. Mr. B. V. Narasimha Aiyar had given notice of a resolution suggesting the issue of instructions to officers concerned in the mofussil to see that in the procedure adopted for improving the obligation to pay income-tax, undue power may not remain in the hands of village munsiffs and other subordinate officers to oppress the people in villages and towns. The Hon. Mr. Ramanuja Chariar's resolution demanded that in the interests of efficient and impartial administration of justice, the Government of India Act, section 101 (4), fixing the proportion of civilians and barristers on the High Court Bench, should be repealed and that the Secretary of State should be addressed to take necessary steps and that for the same reason the permanent strength of the Madras High Court should not go above nine for the present. The Hon. Mr. M. Ramchandrarao asked for the publication of the paper containing the proposals of the Government for the abolition of the Forest and Settlement Members of the Board of Revenue, the Director of Land Records, the creation of a fifth Secretary to Government and the appointment of a Director of Survey, Settlement and Land Records to work directly under Government. All these are matters concerning which there is real public concern and there is nothing in the nature of them to warrant a presumption that it would not have been in the public interest to have them publicly discussed.

A more aggravated instance of the use of this power is afforded by the fate of the Hon. Mr. A. S. Krishna Rao's Resolution. At the preceding meeting of the Council Mr. Krishna Rao had given notice of his intention to move for leave to introduce a Bill permitting municipalities to introduce free and compulsory elementary education in their areas. He was then told that instead of doing so he might, at a subsequent meeting of the Council, move a resolution requesting the Government to introduce a clause to that effect in the contemplated amending Bill to the District Municipalities Act. It is amazing to find that when he sent in his Resolution on the subject, it was disallowed. Thus Mr. Krishna Rao was manoeuvred into surrendering a right which every non-official is supposed to possess to introduce a private Bill, and discussion was stifled on a most vital question. If this sort of thing goes on our Council meetings, far from being practically useful, will soon cease even to be "interesting and instructive."

POST MORTEM,

An English writer spoke a long time ago of a particular kind of biography having added a new terror to death. A similar phenomenon has manifested itself in recent years in respect of the post-mortem tributes paid to great Indians. Some of the speeches delivered at memorial meetings must be enough, in their combination of facile patronage and essential misrepresentation, to make the dead turn in their graves. At a memorial meeting held in London in honour of the late Sir Pherozeshah Mehta for instance, a distinguished speaker pointed out that his main characteristic and claim to fame lay in the fact that he was a "constructive" critic of men and things rather than a "destructive" one! This sort of comment is as plausible, in some cases at all events, as it is fallacious. To begin with, there is no such thing as a scientific distinction between the one kind of criticism and the other. In respect of public affairs and public institutions, criticism embraces a two-fold purpose and process: it is absolutely necessary to destroy certain things before you can "construct" others in their place. Those who urge educational advance, for instance, are simultaneously seeking to "destroy" ignorance and apathy. Those who wish for better administration of justice can only secure it by doing away with the abuses and shortcomings of the existing system. And so in innumerable other examples. In politics and civics, indeed, as in biology and architecture, "destruction" is implicit in "construction"—the *debris* has to be cleared before the new foundations can be laid, and death must clear the way for birth.

Apart from the scientific error, however, involved in the assumption to which we have referred and in similar generalisations, it is necessary to protest against them as constituting political misstatements. The "tribute" to Sir Pherozeshah was more of a caricature of his lifework than anything else. He more than any man of his generation in Indian public life was a "destructive" critic, in any intelligible sense of the term. The "new spirit of criticism" which Sir James Westland bemoaned as having been introduced into the Legislative Council by Pherozeshah Mehta, did not represent a form of political Jainism, as the subsequent career and achievement of that iconoclastic patriot amply prove. And, among other things, there is still a great deal of ignorance, bigotry, vested interest and last but not least, humbug, in the political and national life of India that must be put an end to, as painlessly as possible, but firmly, if the country is to have reform and regeneration. Similar misrepresentations to the one we have cited in the case of the late Sir Pherozeshah Mehta found copious expression on the death of Mr. Gokhale. Many Anglo-Indian critics, who throughout the course of his varied and crowded life had found nothing in his political activities to agree with or support, suddenly gave way to a fit of crocodile tears, discovering virtues and merits in Gokhale dead which had curiously escaped their attention when Gokhale was alive. Some Indians, too, who in Mr. Gokhale's life-time had found singularly little as a basis of co-operation with him, joined in the chorus of artificial lament at the time. Since then the fashion has thrived. Mr. Gokhale in death has received praises which in life did not come his way, and the object of this belated eulogy would appear to be to serve as an occasion and an instrument for deriding and discrediting some of those who are anxious to follow in his footsteps. Although these observations are a propos of the Gokhale anniversary which has just been commemorated, we do not for a moment wish to impugn the sincerity of the many fine tributes which his memory has evoked. Still less do we mean to apply our remarks to the speeches of such old associates of Mr. Gokhale as Sir Narayen Chandavarkar and Sir Stanley Reed, who have just been taking part in the memorial meeting held in Bombay. It is necessary, however, to examine certain propositions which emanated from Sir Narayen in the course of his otherwise admirable address the more so as he seems to have given them a certain special emphasis:—

> Sir Narayan said Mr. Gokhale loved his country passionately but there was one point which he (the speaker) wished to emphasise, and it was this, that Mr. Gokhale did not distrust Englishmen. Mr. Gokhale sincerely and genuinely believed that the good of India should and would come only through sympathy and co-operation between Englishmen and Indians. He (the speaker) considered anyone an enemy of his own country who said that Indians and Englishmen could not get on together. Mr. Gokhale genuinely believed in co-operation between Englishmen and Indians and he was a patriot of the truest type.

Sir N. Chandarvarkar's statements are entirely accurate, but the occasion of the emphasis is not very clear. For what he propounds with the air of an individual discovery was not only wholly true of Mr. Gokhale, as we have said but constitutes a fundamental maxim of Indian public life that found acceptance long before Mr. Gokhale's appearance on the Indian political scene. We do not believe that there are even a hundred persons out of the vast population of India, not inside a lunatic asylum, who do not subscribe to the doctrine of co-operation between Indians and Englishmen as an indispensable condition of Indian progress. The Indian National Congress, is committed to that conviction, and the history of political and social reform in this country during the last generation is a tangible record of the result of co-operation between Indians and Englishmen. At the present time, less than ever before, is there any doubt or difference in any quarter on that cardinal point. There is no question of "distrusting English men." But Sir Narayan Chandarvarkar must indicate to the public whom he lectures, even if he omits to make clear to himself, what he understands by that comprehensive and generic term "Englishmen." Mr. Gokhale discriminated very strongly between the English men with whom he could co-operate and those with whom he could not. We could tell Sir Narayan Chandavarkar of many, of whom Mr. Gokhale, to our knowledge, profoundly disapproved. There was a certain type, too, of whom he was not unduly enamoured. There is, therefore, need to discriminate. There is no particular virtue or usefulness in mishandling mere appellations.

Notes of the Day.

The Balfour Touch.

It appears from Mail papers that Mr. Balfour's covering despatch to the Allies' Note to America—the full text of which we published the other day—gave deep gratification to Americans in the United Kingdom. One very well-known American correspondent said that the despatch would become historic. In the annals of Anglo-American diplomacy it had never been surpassed. It was, in his opinion, "the diplomatic gem of the war—not only a perfect piece of logic and truth but a great human document." There was nothing coldly official in it, he added. It would exactly meet the American temperament. It is interesting to note, at a moment when there is a loud-voiced clamour in certain quarters for bright, spry agents to be sent to "run" British propaganda in America, says the London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian," that the words of our least demagogic and most scholarly statesman should thus be welcomed by our American friends as doing inestimable service to the cause.

German Socialists' Peace Manifesto.

While the German Foreign Office has studiously avoided defining the terms on which to base the peace it recently desired so much, it is interesting to note that there are some Germans who do not adopt this attitude. The German Social Democratic "Opposition" held its recent Imperial Conference in order to establish its tenets and its war aims and the outcome of the Conference was a peace manifesto, from which the following is an interesting excerpt:

> We maintain that the time has come for the Socialist parties in all belligerent countries to demand with insistence from their Governments an exact statement of the aims for which they are carrying on the war; to demand that these aims be of such a kind as not to involve for any of the peoples concerned a humiliation or injury to its conditions of existence; and that the Socialists should everywhere take up the struggle against all parties which wish to continue the war beyond these aims. . . . The Opposition within German Social Democracy has not sufficient confidence in any of the non-Socialist Governments to entrust to one of them the mission of liberation of nationalities through the war. To solve this task completely can only be the work of the victorious proletariat. . . . We reject any territorial change which has not the consent of the population concerned.

Treatment of interned Prisoners.

The replies to a series of questions by the Hon. Mr. Basu at the last meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council confirmed the truth of a practice already known to exist that persons detained in Bengal jails under the antiquated Bengal Regulation 3 of 1818 are "for the most part continuously detained in cells and are not allowed to mix with other prisoners." The separation of these persons from ordinary prisoners is certainly desirable, though it is far more desirable and wiser to provide other places than jails for their detention. But while their detention in jails is undesirable, the practice of subjecting them to solitary confinement can only be described as highly reprehensible, if not illegal. For it must be remembered that these persons, however serious the allegations against them may be, are not judicially convicted. The object of the extraordinary powers vested in Government by the Regulation is to make it impossible for these persons to carry on their alleged nefarious schemes and that object is served effectively by their detention. To inflict on them a torture that is resorted to only in the case of the worst criminals is not merely absolutely unnecessary but the negation of justice and humanity. These men are fully entitled to the treatment that is always accorded to political prisoners in civilised countries.

GOKHALE ANNIVERSARY.

MRS. NAIDU ON LESSON OF HIS LIFE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

POONA, Feb. 20.

The second anniversary of the death of Mr. Gokhale took place yesterday, when Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, who had come all the way from Hyderabad, gave an address to a crowded meeting under the auspices of the Deccan Sabha, the Hon. Mr. Paranjpye presiding. Mrs. Naidu impressed upon the audience the lessons of Mr. Gokhale's life which, she said, consisted in selflessness, intense patriotism and unity. She particularly mentioned his efforts to stop indentured labour and to promote the cause of primary education.

MEETING AT DHULIA.

(From a Correspondent.)

DHULIA, Feb. 20.

A public meeting of the citizens of Dhulia was held on the 19th instant in Mr. Bahalkar's camp to celebrate the anniversary day of the late Mr. Gokhale. Mr. Kotwal, pleader presided and spoke on the national life work of the great patriot. The meeting approved the suggestions of Mr. Gandhi to do practical work. A strong committee was appointed to consider the suggestions made at the meeting.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE SOUTH OF SOUCHEZ.

THE FINAL GERMAN EFFORT.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE.

SUCCESSFUL RAID SOUTH OF SOUCHEZ.

MINE SHAFT BLOWN UP AND DUGOUTS OCCUPIED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 20.
Recd. 2-30 p.m. Feb. 20.

A British communiqué says we made a successful raid south of Souchez, blowing up a mine shaft and destroying several occupied dugouts.

LIVELY CANNONADING ON FRENCH FRONT.

ENEMY WORKS NEAR DAMLOUP BOMBARDED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 20.
Recd. 2-30 p.m. Feb. 20.

A French communiqué records lively cannonading in the Avocourt, Pepper Hill and Bezonvaux sectors. The French destructively bombarded the enemy organisations north of Damloup.

COMPULSORY SERVICE IN CROWN COLONIES.

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 19.
Recd. 7-15 a.m., Feb. 20.

Wr. Walter Long stated that he was anxiously considering the question of compulsory local military service for European British subjects in the Crown Colonies in which compulsion did not exist, but he was not prepared to adopt any further change at present.

TEACHERS UNDER 31.

EXEMPTIONS WITHDRAWN.

LONDON, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

The Army Council has withdrawn all exemptions from school-teachers under 31.

IMPERIAL WAR CONFERENCE.

SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION NOT TO BE INTERFERED WITH BY GOVERNMENT

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 19.
Recd. 7-15 a.m., Feb. 20.

Mr. Bonar Law stated in the House of Commons that subjects for discussion at the Imperial War Council would not be decided until the Oversea representative arrived. The Government would not interfere with anything the Council desired to discuss.

The question of administration of Ireland was a matter for the Imperial Parliament.

COMMONWEALTH WAR GOVERNMENT.

TO BE PROTECTIONISTS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
MELBOURNE, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

It is understood that the Coalition Government will declare itself Protectionist.

AN ADMIRAL'S SELF DENIAL.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

Rear-Admiral Campbell has retired voluntarily to facilitate the promotion of juniors.

EXPORT OF ENGLISH COAL TO NORWAY.

RESTRICTION ABOLISHED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
COPENHAGEN, Feb. 19.
Recd. 2-30 p.m. Feb. 20.

It is officially announced that the restriction on the export of coal from England to Norway has been abolished in view of Norway undertaking not to export pyrites to Germany.

STEAMERS SUNK.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 19.
Recd. 9 p.m., Feb. 20.

The following British steamers, Lady Ann, Marie Leonhardt, Marion Dawson, Queenswood, Romsdalen and Valdes and two British small craft have also been sunk. The total tonnage lost is about 20,000. A number of men are killed and missing.

WAR LOAN SUCCESS.

£100,000,000 MORE THAN EXPECTED.

CONFIDENCE IN WAR CABINET.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Feb 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m. Feb. 20.

The papers are unanimous that the first results of the Loan form a veritable triumph and afford an unmistakeable proof of the country's determination to give as freely of its wealth as its manhood to secure victory. Experts emphasise that the Government has obtained 100 millions more than it expected without recourse to bankers and the mere fact that the assistance of big financial houses was not invoked is itself an evidence of assured success. The papers contrast the proofs of German exhaustion, as evidenced by the renewed appeal for gold ornaments with the splendid proof of British financial stability which has enabled the country to raise the largest loan in history besides a revenue of 500 millions. The City experts express the opinion that the loan has revealed vast resources, which are as yet not tapped, promising even better results in future. Mr. Bonar Law's figure is likely to be largely exceeded as hundreds of thousands of applications are still outstanding.

The "Times" interprets the loan as an overwhelming vote of confidence in the War Cabinet.

STATEMENT BY CHANCELLOR EXCHEQUER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 19.
Recd. 7-15 a.m., Feb. 20.

In the House of Commons Mr. Bonar Law stated that at least 700 millions of new money had been subscribed to the war loan, excluding the contributions from banks. (Loud cheers). It was desirable to avoid direct contributions from banks. When he was asked some weeks ago what amount of new money would constitute a success he replied 600 millions.

DRASTIC RESTRICTIONS OF IMPORTS.

Mr. Bonar Law announced that the Government had decided upon very drastic restrictions of imports affecting the Allies and the Dominions. He promised to make a statement on the subject on the 22nd instant.

WAR OFFICE HELP TO FARMERS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

The War Office has decided to loan horses and drivers to farmers needing help.

SIR BAMPFYLDE FULLER ASSUMES TIMBER CONTROL.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

Sir Bampfylde Fuller has undertaken charge of the Timber Control Department of the War Office which will deal with importations and with felling of home timber.

CONCESSIONS TO INDIAN ARMY.

ENHANCED RATES OF PENSION TO OFFICERS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALLAHABAD, Feb. 20.

The "Pioneer" understands in connection with the concessions granted to the Indian Army on 1st January of the present year, which will apply to retired Indian officers who have been reemployed, that the position to be enhanced and rates of pension will apply to all Indian officers who retired since 4th August 1914 and have been re-employed, but not to those who returned prior to that date. Increased rates of pay and grant of free rations will apply to all officers re-employed, but the latter are not eligible for further promotion.

Retired Indian officers who have been re-employed since the beginning of the war are eligible for admission to and promotion in the Order of British India and also for other Indian decorations while serving.

MR. ROOSEVELT'S FORCE.

IN CASE OF GERMAN-AMERICAN WAR.

200,000 FOR ENTENTE SERVICE.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

The "World" learns on excellent authority that in case of a German-American war, Mr. Roosevelt will raise an expeditionary Force for Europe estimated at 200,000 strong for service under the Entente.

GERMAN RESERVISTS IN MEXICO.

TO PREVENT SAFEGUARDING OF TAMPICO OILWELLS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

The Washington correspondent of the "Sun" wires that the State Department has been informed of the arrival of 360 German reservists in Mexico City ready to join any faction to prevent the landing of an Anglo-American force to safeguard the oil-wells at Tampico.

AMERICAN RELIEF COMMISSION IN BELGIUM.

NULLIFIED BY GERMAN SHIPPING RESTRICTIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 17.
Recd. 9 p.m., Feb. 20.

Although the German orders regarding the American Relief Commission in Belgium and North France have been reversed the presence of representatives is nullified through Germany's strict maintenance of shipping restrictions affecting the relief-ships.

SPIES IN UNITED STATES.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m. Feb. 20.

In the Senate the supporter of the Espionage Bill declared that there were at present 100,000 spies in the United States.

ALLIES AND PORTUGAL.

ASSURANCE BY PORTUGUESE FINANCE MINISTER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LISBON, Feb. 19.
Recd. 7-15 a.m., Feb. 20.

In the Chamber the Finance Minister Costa declared that the Allies could rely upon Portugal's efforts and sacrifices. The statement was received with loud applause.

TRAVANCORE POPULAR ASSEMBLY.

EVIDENCE OF NEW CIVIC SPIRIT.

(From our Correspondent.)
TRIVANDRUM, Feb. 20.

The Assembly resumed its sitting at 11-30 in the forenoon yesterday, when public works for certain localities were urged, which were noted for consideration. That there has sprung up a new civic spirit was amply evident from the fact that several members who represented various municipalties in the state, in making proposals for supply of pure drinking water by means of pipes, offered to raise loans to meet the expenditure.

The Dewan told them that they might submit their proposals. He complimented them on their enterprise. The members also pleaded for several steps being taken to broaden the basis of Self-Government, which were foreshadowed in the Draft Municipal Bill.

The Dewan said that their suggestions will all be placed before the Legislative Council when they consider the Draft Municipal Bill.

The representative of the Trivandrum Municipality, the premier municipal institution of the State, drew the Dewan's attention to the terrible increase in the different kinds of fevers, including typhoid, and malarial fever and asked for special enquiry by competent officer, the Dewan noting the suggestion for careful consideration.

Education was then taken up, when the assembly adjourned for the day and will meet to-morrow as usual.

FINAL GERMAN EFFORT.

WIN OR LOSE IN 1917.

ENEMY THROWING ALL STRENGTHINTO STRUGGLE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALLAHABAD, Feb. 20.

A "Pioneer's" special cable states:—

The news of German preparations on land is the same from whatever source it comes. Every writer seems convinced that the enemy is about to throw all his strength into the final effort. His new formations are said to such as he cannot hope to maintain. Nothing is being kept back because is this effort lead to victory, no maintenance will be required. If it fail, all is lost.

The correspondent of the American United Press, who left Berlin with Mr. Gerard, wires that Germany's effort this year will exceed any of the past, because it is their final one. Germany is stronger militarily than she has ever been since the war began. That it is win or lose in 1917 is the general opinion. The Germans believe that they will win.

GERMAN NATIONAL EQUIPMENT EFFORT.

GOLD ORNAMENTS DEMANDED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
AMSTERDAM, Feb. 20.
Recd. 9 p.m., Feb. 20.

The Imperial Bank of Germany publishes a demand to all classes to contribute gold ornaments and jewellery except articles of special artistic and historical value, as part of the national equipment effort.

SICKENING GERMAN CRUELTIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 17.
Recd. 9 p.m., Feb. 20.

Reuter learns that the Russian Commission of Inquiry into German atrocities reports sickening cruelties.

POTATO PRICES READJUSTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 18.
Recd. 9 p.m., Feb. 20.

Mr. Lloyd George, yesterday evening, telegraphed to the Lord Mayor of Manchester saying:—The War Cabinet has considered the difficulties which have arisen in the operation of Food Controller's potato prices order of January 1st and which have been increased by the recent prolonged frost and prices have been readjusted as a result of the conference between the departments and the traders and are now fixed to enable the retailers to charge three half pence a pound up to March 31st and a penny three-farthings, after that to the end of June.

PECULIAR MARRIAGE AGREEMENT.

LADY DOCTOR'S OBJECTION TO CHILDREN.

A very curious case came before Mr. Justice Low, in the Divorce Court, on January 19, when Dr. Arthur Finegan, superintendent of a lunatic asylum in the Isle of Man, petitioned for a decree of nullity of his marriage with his wife, *nee* McHardy, a lady doctor.

There was no defence.

Mr. Drysdale Woodcock, for the petitioner, said the marriage took place on July 3, 1915, and except for a period of five months, when respondent went to Serbia, the parties lived together until May, last year.

Respondent then went to Sheffield to take up a practice.

A peculiar feature of the case, said counsel, was that before the marriage the lady insisted she did not want to have children, as she would not allow her medical practice to be interfered with. In fact, she obtained a written document from petitioner to that effect, but the latter, not unnaturally, thought his wife would realise the impossibility of her position. He made efforts, without success, to get her to alter her views.

Mr. Bayford, appeared for the respondent, but did not contest the petition.

His Lordship thought the agreement entered into between the parties debarred one of them asking the Court to annul the contract.

Mr. Bayford: I submit the agreement was contrary to public policy, and neither party can set it up.

Dr. Finegan gave evidence.

His Lordship dismissed the petition. He said he was inclined to think that the parties to the suit now wished to be relieved of their matrimonial burden. He had no sympathy with either of them, and the petition would therefore be dismissed. —"Pall Mall Gazette."

GREEK BLOCKADE CONTINUED.

RESPONSIBILITY ON CONSTANTINE'S GOVERNMENT.

ULTIMATUM DEMANDS INCOMPLEBLY FULFILLED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
ATHENS, Feb. 20.
Recd. 11-45 p.m., Feb. 20.

The Legations of Protecting Powers have issued a statement saying that the blockade is being continued because the requirements of the ultimatum have been incompletely fulfilled and the Government has been especially half-hearted in the matter of the removal of arms.

Nevertheless, the Entente is not indifferent to the sufferings of the innocent population and has seriously considered the question of facilitating food supplies as soon as circumstances permit.

The Entente draws the Greek Government's attention to the responsibility it is assuming, if it continues to tolerate the anti-Entente press campaign.

RUSSIA WANTS MORE MERCHANTMEN

A BILL IN DUMA FOR 100 MILLION ROUBLES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PETROGRAD, Feb. 19.
Recd. 7-15 a.m., Feb. 20.

In the Duma the Minister of Industry will introduce a bill providing for Government advances of 100 million roubles to build merchantmen.

Official and Personal.

Their Excellencies lunched with the Stewards at the Race Course yesterday.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Willingdon visited St. Xavier's College last evening, and were present at an Academy performed by the students.

Their Excellencies gave a dinner party in the State Bungalow to meet H. H. the Nizam of Hyderabad, at which the following were present:—

H. H. the Nizam of Hyderabad, H. H. the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior, H. H. the Maharaja of Idar, the Hon. Mr. Justice N. G. MacLeod, the Hon. Mr. Justice L. A. Shah, Brigadier-General F. W. D. and Mrs. Quinton, Mr. R. J. and Mrs. Kent Colonel T. G. Peacock and Mrs. Peacock, Lt.-Colonel F. E. Swinton, Lt.-Colonel C. Mackenzie Edwards, Mrs. and Miss Edwards, Mr. J. R. and Mrs. Martin, Raja Rajayan Sir Kishen Pershad Maharaja Bahadur, Nawab Sir Faridoon Jung, Nawab Fakhr-ul-Mulk, Lieut-Colonel Nawab Sir Afsur-ul-Mulk, Major Usman Yar-ud-Dowlah, Miss Maxen and Colonel D. S. Wagle. The House Party consisted of their Excellencies and Staff.

Colonel Astley Roberts, R. F. A., has left Government House.

His Highness the Maharaja of Idar accompanied by his staff paid a visit to the Peer Mahomed Glass Works at Matunga on Monday afternoon. All the processes connected with glass making were shown to his Highness, who was quite pleased in seeing such beautiful articles being manufactured in Bombay.

Sir Benjamin, Lady and Miss Robertson after brief visits to Gaurjhania and Surkhi were to arrive at Saugor on Tuesday. They have arranged to stay there until Sunday next.

The Hon. Mr. H. V. Cobb, British resident in Mysore and Sir M. Visvisvaraya will leave Bangalore for Delsi on Friday to discuse the Bhatkal Port Project with the Government of India.

A public meeting was held yesterday at Ahmedabad under the presidentship of Sheth Mangaldas Girdharlal, to congratulate Sir Nowroji Pestonji Vakil, C.I.E., on the honour of knighthood conferred upon him.

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of wire and iron, give more elasticity of resistance. There are no longer the huge dug-outs capable of containing a whole company, but there are many more smaller ones, in which seven or eight men can find refuge. In the matter of artillery, the enemy no longer concentrates his guns but scatters them here, there, and everywhere—in caves, in "dolini" where it is almost impossible to see them. To these improvements in method they have added copious supplies of guns, machine guns, and munitions, and they also have the advantage of artillery positions.

THE CARSO BATTLES.

ITALIANS' UNCEASING PRESSURE.

A STUBBORN ENEMY.

Writing from the Italian Headquarters on January 10, the special correspondent of "The Times" says:—

The line of battle on the Gorizia and Trieste fronts has been advanced for a considerable distance since the November offensive. There has been no relaxing of the Italian endeavour and no cessation of Italian gains. In spite of unusually—even for Friuli—inclement weather there has been no cessation of activity for even as long as 24 hours, and the advantages realized are all in favour of our Allies.

Let it be remembered that Gorizia lies like a jewel in a green vale fringed with hills. On the right bank of the Isonzo to the north-west and west of Gorizia the great bastions of the Sabotino and Podgora are solidly Italian. To the north at a distance of only three miles the three guardian mountains, Monte Santo, San Gabriele, and San Daniele, from which ascend the ever higher snowcapped peaks of the Bainsizza Plateau, are still Austrian. On the east the doggedly-contested ridge of San Marco two miles away closes the horizon. Five miles south of Gorizia the Carso, most tragic of battlefields, swells and falls to the sea.

Carso, as far as Gorizia is concerned, is Italian. Since August there has been no change to the north. At San Marco and in the low-lying ground between San Marco and the Carso there has been continual fighting, generally favourable to the Italians. Serveral unsuccessful Austrian attacks have occurred here since the last offensive, and it is in this sector that the enemy has been most assiduous in the organization of his defences.

The Austrians in their retreat on the Carso during the last offensive deliberately left a No Man's Land of about a mile in breadth from the Vippacco as far down as Jamiano. This condition, usual for the Carso, was a triumph of the new Italian "bombarda" (special trench mortar), which with heavy 11-inch projectiles harassed the lines of the enemy so successfully that he could not come to close quarters. In a series of night advances, of which some 12 have been recorded in official *communiqués*, the Italian lines have been brought forward to within bombing distance of the Austrians along this entire sector. These rectifications of the line have been carried out by surprises which are frequently made in the short space of a night, on a rocky soil, which admits of no digging without mining, and where the enemy is always on the higher ground, and are accompanied with the highest degree of heroism and devotion. Whatever has been taken has been held.

ITALIAN HEROISM.

During the month of December, when it rained incessantly, the Austrian Press was full of foreboding for the next Carso offensive, which was expected with the first dry days. The enemy's state of mind was confirmed by deserters, who had presented themselves in great numbers. The enemy's nervousness and activities have taken many forms. One has been the persistence and violence of his attacks. There has been practically no part of the line from San Marco to the sea which has not been put to the proof in the past six weeks. A constant bone of contention remains in Hills 144 and 208 south (near, Monfalcone), whose loss the Austrians feel keenly and increasingly.

The greatest onslaught, however, was against the line at the Adria Werke, a mile and a half east of Monfalcone on the night of December 10. It is doubtful whether, even in the sanguinary history of that most tried sector, such a bombardment and such an attack had been known before. Certainly nothing finer in the way of resistance stands to the credit of Italian troops. A trench line in the marshes and without protection, which for one hour was subjected to the most awful rage of high explosives and big shells the Austrians had ever given vent to, was held without a break against superior forces, and the veteran troops of the Bersaglieri and dismounted cavalry who held the line managed to prevent the greater part of the assailants getting back to their own lines.

There is no doubt that the intention was to recapture Monfalcone that night.

ENEMY'S IMPROVED DEFENCE.

Hungarian troops have been most largely weeded out from this front for Rumania, but a fresh division has arrived from Galicia and the home depots. The increase in the enemy's artillery has been enormous. Such an abundance of munitions as has not been observed for many months is now the rule. Whereas the Austrians used not to reply to night shelling, they are now continually active. There has been, too, a great improvement in and co-ordination of enemy methods in every department. The 10 miles of Austrian first-line trench, running from Fajti Hrib to the marshes of San Giovanni, are almost entirely sunken. From the Italian observatories, on a dull day, one sees only the dim lines of grey entanglements and *chevaux de frise*. The visibility of the Austrian trench lines has been enormously reduced during the last three months. The trenches are narrower and deeper, and they are often covered with bomb netting which slopes down to a percussion gallery at the back. Innumerable broken lines, each with its ample defence

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YESTERDAY'S RACING AT MAHALUXMI.

FOURTH DAY OF BOMBAY RACES.

POLITIAN WINS THE WILLINGDON PLATE.

COLLINGWOOD'S FINE PERFORMANCE.

EAST COURT'S POPULAR WIN.

(From our Racing Correspondent.)

The fourth day of the Bombay Races which was fixed for to-day was held yesterday before a large gathering of holiday makers. It was a wise decision of the Racing authorities, as yesterday was a public holiday and many people were able to go and witness the capital sport that was provided. An interesting card of seven events, in which large fields turned out, gave scope for much speculation as the handicapping was so cleverly arranged that it was difficult for most astute students of forms to pick up the winners. The most important event of the day was the Willingdon Plate of Rs. 10,000 to the winner. A field of eleven started for this race in which Politian and his stable companion, Gibberish, were more fancied in preference to Magyar and Bachelor's Wedding. Still on his running in the Bombay City Plate a large following gave Magyar a good chance in spite of the extra nine pounds he was carrying. He was never in the race as he was left at the post. Gibberish made the race exceedingly fast; Summer Thyme, however, would not let him have it his own way and stuck to him so tenaciously, that before the stands he was beaten and his stable companion, Politian, who was not so well fancied, came to the rescue in the nick of time and snatched the race from Summer Thyme by a neck. There is no doubt that before long Summer Thyme will prove himself a worthy son and grandson of Spearmint and the world-renowned Carbine, who was called "The Galloping Wonder" in Australia. Mr. M. Goculdass's luck is in the ascendant and he is to be congratulated on winning this fine prize.

The first event of the day commenced with the Damascus Plate in which milers participated. Malacca and Investment were strongly fancied in this race and Welcome, who had won a mile and a half race recently found a large body of supporters. Malacca was left at the post and Welcome who is well-known as the most unreliable Arab racer to be found in Bombay was apparently in one of his nasty moods and ran nowhere. Collingwood, on whom Bowley had the mount, ran a great race in spite of his weight. This horse is a very promising animal and is a valuable addition to our fast dwindling lot of champion Arabs. Hardy, who has so often piloted this horse to victory, is apparently no longer connected with the stable of Mr. Heath, as he rode none of the horses of that stable yesterday.

Cyanite was made a hot favourite for the Randwick Plate. The public would have nothing but Cyanite as it considered that he could not be beaten. Athlete was second in demand and the pair were supposed to be moral certainties of the day. But Purtoosingh, who so long was in the land of dreams, seems to have awakened suddenly when Crusader in the previous race romped in and reminded that it was time to wake up, followed his success with Megale who cantered home easily, defeating Cyanite in the most ignominous manner.

The Colaba Plate was won by Bed Time who took the public by surprise. It was believed that the good luck of Mr. Goculdass was to be continued and that Gipsy's Advice or Yuan would add another success to his credit. Gipsy's Advice, no doubt, ran gamely but could not overtake the speedy Bed Time who won from start to finish. The fortunate few who had backed him were rewarded with the handsome return of Rs. 243.

Tollendal was again unfortunate in being beaten by his stable companion, Margreen, who gave promise earlier in the season of being a very fast performer for five furlongs. Fire Finch just missed earning a bracket after so many trials. Twa Brigs was strongly fancied by many. It was rumoured that he went a very good gallop on the straight course and that he could beat this field easily. But for some reason or other he took it into his head to run last and gave one the impression of being a lazy rogue.

The last race of the evening was the most open. Zaki Pasha, Red Cross, White Silk, East Court, Nizam-ul-Mulk, Royal Court, Moshel and Ace of Royals were almost equal favourites. White Silk was expected to run better than he did. He had a good draw but was finished at the third furlong. Nizam-ul-Mulk evidently will repeat his Poona performance in Bombay and will probably win two races in a day when no one expects him after running the whole season. East Court won this race in convincing fashion.

Details:—

THE DAMASCUS PLATE.—Distance 1 Mile.

Winner, Rs. 1,500; second, Rs. 500; third, Rs. 300. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs in the 2nd Division.

Mr. Heath's COLLINGWOOD, 9-9, Bowley 1

General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's COLLECTOR, 7-6, Collis 2

Mr. Ahmed Hazamy's INVESTMENT, 7-1, Harrison 3

Also Ran:—Hurchan 9-12, Malacca 9-2, Black Hussar 9-2, Kaiumers 8-1, Tajilmulook 7-8, Ajmer 7-8, Black Ivory 7-8, Welcome 7-7, Angler 7-1.

The Race:—As soon as they were released Investment cut the pace followed by Collector, Collingwood lying third, a length behind. Malacca and Ajmer were left back and took no part in the race. In the corner Collingwood joined the leaders and when called upon in the straight, went strong to win by 2 lengths, neck, head.

Time:—1 min. 50 secs.

1st Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 60-8; Places Rs. 22, Rs. 32 and Rs. 20-8.

2nd Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 35; Places, Rs. 12, Rs. 23 and Rs. 10.

Trainer:—T. Harrison.

THE SALSETTE PLATE.—Distance 5 Furlongs (Straight).

Winner, Rs. 1,500; second, Rs. 500; third, Rs. 300. A High Weight Handicap for Arab Ponies 14 hands and under in the 2nd Division.

Messrs. M. Goculdass and P. Mathradass's CRUSADER, 7-1, Purtoosingh 1

Mr. E. L. F. De Soysa's LORD ROSEBERRY, 8-11, Trenoweth 2

Mr. Ruder bin Alwash's DHAIDAN, 8-12, A. Templeman 3

Also Ran:—Tanchreuse 9-7, Engine 8-8, Sirmust 8-5, Full Moon 8-3, Saood 8-1, Ruby Fish 8-1, Cyprus 7-11, Tawdry 7-6.

The Race:—Crusader took a flying start and led the field by two lengths. The field closed on him and Lord Roseberry coming strong, failed to catch the leader who won by a head. Dhaidan on the rails was 1 length behind and Cyprus 1 length behind Dhaidan.

Time:—1 min. 7 secs.

1st Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 287; Places, Rs. 66-8, Rs. 21-8 and Rs. 23-8.

2nd Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 156; Places, Rs. 26, Rs. 11 and Rs. 11.

Trainer:—C. B. Mahomed.

THE RANDWICK PLATE.—Distance 1½ Miles.

Winner, Rs. 1,500; second, Rs. 500; third, Rs. 300. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 3rd Division.

Mr. M. Goculdass's MEGALE, 7-6, Purtoosingh 1

General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's SEIGNEURIE, 7-11, Collis 2

Mr. R. R. S.'s CYANITE, 9-12, F. Templeman 3

Also Ran:—Ma Honey 8-9, Athlete 8-5, Mossy 7-12, Adelaide II 7-6, Minimum 6-8.

The Race:—When they came in sight Athlete and Mossy were seen leading, the rest level behind. Athlete kept his lead till the sixth furlong where the field joined him. At the fourth furlong Megale drew out and established a four lengths' lead, Athlete second and Cyanite, who was third, a long way behind began to creep up. In the straight Athlete was done with and weight told on Cyanite who could not come up fast enough. He was passed by Seigneurie who secured second place. Megale went strong to win by 3½ lengths, neck, 2 lengths.

Time:—2 mins. 37½ secs.

1st Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 107; Places, Rs. 20, Rs. 36-8 and Rs. 14.

2nd Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 47; Places, Rs. 11, Rs. 14-8 and Rs. 7-8.

Trainer:—C. B. Mahomed.

THE WILLINGDON PLATE.—Distance 1½ Miles.

Winner, Rs. 10,000; second, Rs. 3,000; third, Rs. 2,000. A Handicap for Horses.

Mr. M. Goculdass's POLITIAN, 9-2, Huxley 1

Mr. E. L. F. De Soysa's SUMMER THYME, 7-1, Rose 2

Mr. M. Goculdass's GIBBERISH, 6-13, Purtoosingh 3

Also Ran:—Magyar 9-12, Bachelor's Wedding 9-10, Silver Thrush 8-9, Evett 8-9, Pantomime II 8-4, Thunder 7-1, Santa Barbara 6-13.

The Race:—They were sent to a bad start, Magyar, being left behind and most of the others in a file at the head of which ran Gibberish, followed by Summer Thyme. They ran in that order till before the stands where Summer Thyme looked like winning when Politian drew out to win by a neck, head, 1 length.

Time:—2 mins. 6 secs.

1st Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 20; Places, Rs. 20-8, Rs. 59 and Rs. 17-8.

2nd Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 9-8; Places, Rs. 12, Rs. 28 and Rs. 10.

Trainer:—J. Robinson.

THE COLABA PLATE.—Distance 1 Mile.

Winner, Rs. 3,000; second, Rs. 1,000; third, Rs. 500. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 2nd Division.

Mr. Wilton Bartleet's BED-TIME, 7-13, Lynch 1

Mr. M. Goculdass's GIPSY'S ADVICE, 9-2, Huxley 2

Mr. J. Stewart's ANTHRACITE, 7-11, Harrison 3

Also Ran:—Fenny Pie 8-0, Lady Muriel 8-0, Yuan 7-10, Vidi 7-9, King's Head 7-9, Madrina 7-6.

The Race:—From a good start in which all were bunched, Bed-time after a furlong or so took a slight lead, followed by Anthracite. In the straight Gipsy's Advice challenged and came at a rattling pace, but Bed-time outstayed to win by a short head, ½ length.

Time:—1 min. 40 secs.

1st Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 243; Places, Rs. 66-8, Rs. 17-8 and Rs. 62-8.

2nd Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 110-8; Places, Rs. 25, Rs. 9-8 and Rs. 28.

Trainer:—D. Greenhalgh.

THE WORLI PLATE.—Distance 5 Furlongs (Straight).

Winner, Rs. 3,000; second, Rs. 1,000; third, Rs. 500. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 2nd Division.

Mr. J. L. Ainsworth's MARGREEN, 7-9, Rose 1

Messrs. F. M. Garda and M. Goculdass's FIRE FINCH, 9-0, Huxley 2

Mr. D. Lindsay's TOLLENDAL, 7-10, Flynn 3

Also Ran:—Kenilworth 9-6, County Cricket 9-1, Premiere 8-12, Bedspread 8-6, Kinsale 8-6, Twa Brigs 8-4, Rolling Stock 7-11, Billy Bawn 7-10, Dorian 7-9.

The Race:—From the start Fire Finch led and looked as if he would win easily when near home Margreen and Tollendal closed on him, the former going strong to win by a neck, neck, ½ length.

Time:—58 1/5 secs.

1st Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 97; Places, Rs. 24, Rs. 20 and Rs. 15-8.

2nd Enclosure—Totes Paid:—Win, Rs. 52-8; Places, Rs. 14, Rs. 9 and Rs. 8.

Trainer:—E. C. Ramshaw.

THE SIR COWASJEE JEHANGIR PLATE.—Distance about 6 Furlongs.

Winner, Rs. 3,000; second, Rs. 1,000; third, Rs. 500. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs.

Messrs. Stewart and Heath's EAST COURT, 9-4, Bowley 1

Mr. A. Nanjee's ACE OF ROYALS, 7-4, Ringstead 2

General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's MOHSEL, 8-2, Collis 3

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MR. BIPIN CHANDRA PAL AND SIR MICHAEL O'DWYER.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I have been served with the following order by the Government of the Punjab:—(The order is the same as that served on Mr. Tilak).

I was served with this order after 9 p.m. on Friday last, the 16th instant. And though I do not hold the higher authorities responsible for it, the way this order was served shows the general manner in which these things are evidently done by the members of the C. I. D. I had been out when the emissaries of the Police came with this order, and they asked my people where I had gone and when I would return in a needlessly authoritative and offensive tone. It was fortunate that no male members of my family, except my little boy, were in at that time or this offensive way of enquiring about me would have been openly resented. Then the order was served on me in the middle of the public road, which naturally drew some curious people about us. Surely, this was not the proper way to perform this duty. Why could not the men wait until I had entered my house and then ask for me in a decent way, and serve this order? It is a small thing, and I do not personally care about these petty things. But it throws a lurid light upon the causes of the extreme and bitter unpopularity of these policemen with the people of the country.

"THE REASONABLENESS" OF THE ORDER.

Sir Michael O'Dywer says that he has reasonable grounds for believing that I intend to visit the Punjab. But this is the first time that I have come to know of this intention, from his Honour's own Order. Nobody had asked me to visit his Honour's Dominions. I myself had never dreamt of doing so. We all know Sir Michael's liberal statesmanship and his love for the Bengalees. Did he not publicly proclaim that he would not permit his province to be converted into another Bengal? And is not Sir Michael a mighty hunter before the Lord? And has not the so-called Defence of India Act placed an equally mighty weapon in his hands? I had no call from the Punjab, and if I had any, my sense of national respect alone would have prevented me from setting my foot upon the soil of the Punjab until Sir Michael's brief spell of office there was over. Sir Michael had not even the shadow of a plea, much less any "reasonable" grounds, to believe that I had any such unholy intention. His Honour has been clearly sold here by his local C. I. D., I hope, his administration of the Defence of India Rules in the other case was guided by better and surer information.

"PREJUDICIAL TO PUBLIC SAFETY."

His Honour's grounds of believing that even if I did go to the Punjab, I would act in a manner "prejudicial to public safety," are as sound as those of his belief that I was at all going to his province. This phrase "prejudicial to public safety" covers, like charity, a multitude of sins. Any criticism, however reasonable and necessary it may be in the interest of real public safety, if it is directed against the short-sighted acts or policy of the foreign Bureaucracy in India, may be condemned by the members of this Bureaucracy as "prejudicial to public safety." And as the law made by this same Bureaucracy gives them absolute right to declare anything they please, as "prejudicial to public safety," the public have no relief against these verdicts even when they are outrageously unjust. If any private individual charges me with doing, having done, or intending to do anything to endanger public safety, I might haul him up for defamation. Such a charge interferes with my work as a publicist and with my usefulness in life. But I cannot compel Sir Michael O'Dwyer to prove his charge before any court of law. And because I cannot do so, considerations of common fairness, if not of that chivalry which is a charactertic of his ill-starred race, should have led his Honour to carefully go into the facts of the case against me. I am not convinced that his Honour has done so.

I am aware that the Anglo-Indian Press did at one time say that I was responsible for all the troubles in the Madras Presidency in 1907 to 1909 and 1910. But it is also notorious that my "Madras Speeches" published in book-form by Messrs. Ganesh and Co., were never confiscated under the new Press Laws of Lord Minto, though, I think, some vernacular translations of these were so dealt with. While my fundamental position has not changed, it is well-known that the main emphasis of all my present political writings and speeches is clearly on the empire-idea more than on the nation-idea. Even before the outbreak of the present war, I distinctly declared through the pages of my "Hindu Review" (January, 1913) that Indian Nationalism, stood among other thing, for—

The continuance of the British connection through the building up of a federal constitution for the present association called the British Empire, a federation in which India and Egypt shall be equal co-partners of Great Britain and Ireland and the British Colonies.

This is what I have been persistently preaching for the last four years and more. I hold that this is the only reasonable ground of real and permanent reconciliation between India and England and the British Empire. It is this federal ideal that will alone be able to control and cure every form of existing political distemper and revolutionary unrest in India. To create an enthusiasm among the people for this federal ideal, is the only way to help forward the cause of public safety in the country. To deny to the advocates of this Federal Home Rule free access to their people, and to stifle the lawful propagation of this ideal among the youthful intellectuals of the land, is not to provide for public safety but to allow almost infinite room for that michievous secret propaganda of revolutionary patriotism which stands as the greatest menace just now to both Indian Nationalism and the British connection.

Indian officials with any statesmanly instinct in them, fully understand this. And I have reason to believe that some high officials in Bengal have recommended my latest book "Nationality and Empire," published by Messrs. Thacker Spink & Co., to many Indian journalists and even to some members of the Service to which Sir Michael belongs. I wonder if Sir Michael has seen this book. If not, ordinary fairness demands that he should send for a copy, and having gone through it, judge for himself if he has not been misled by his subordinates, in serving this order upon me. But if he has seen it, or after having seen it now, if he thinks his action fully justified, all that I can say is that, evidently, unless a man can see eye to eye with the Indian bureaucracy, he must be judged as an enemy of the public peace in this country.—Yours, etc.,

BIPEN CHANDRA PAL.

Calcutta, Feb. 18, 1917.

THE INDENTURED SYSTEM.

BENARES LADIES' PROTEST.

(From a Correspondent.)

BENARES, Feb. 20.

A well-attended meeting of the ladies of Benares was held yesterday afternoon at the Viseswara Theatre to protest against the indenture system. Mrs. Durgaprasad presided. Papers describing the system of Indian Indentured Labour and giving extracts from Messrs. Andrews and Pearson's reports were read. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

This meeting of the ladies of Benares most strongly protests against the system of indentured labour in India and impresses upon the Government and the public that its continuation is considered unjust by all classes of the Indian population. The system is demoralizing and degrading to Indian communities. This meeting therefore most earnestly requests all to agitate for its absolute and unconditional discontinuation and to see that the system is not allowed to continue after the 31st of May, 1917, whether the Conference of Colonists comes off till then and their report is published or not.

Miss Arundale, Mrs. Padmarao, Mrs. Gupta and several other Hindustani and Bengali ladies took part in the meeting. The proceedings were in Hindi. The meeting was one of the biggest ever held by the ladies of Benares.

IN NO MAN'S LAND.

CANADIAN'S FIGHT WITH ENEMY WIRING PARTY.

The nature of patrol work in No Man's Land is well illustrated in the following communiqué issued by the Canadian War Records Office:—

In spite of unfavourable weather conditions our patrols have continued active. Two men of a mounted rifle battalion carried out a particularly daring reconnaissance. Leaving our trenches at about mid-day, and crawling from cover to cover, they succeeded in reaching and entering the German lines unobserved. The return journey to our lines was also made without the enemy detecting anything.

The patrols who cover the ground between the lines every night have the dual role to perform of obtaining information and preventing the enemy from carrying out any reconnaissance work. To this they add the task of preventing the enemy from working in front of his trenches and of harassing him in every possible way. A good example of this occurred during the past week. One night one of our patrols located a strong enemy wiring party. A Lewis gun was brought up and fire opened at point blank range. This particular patrol fired at no fewer than eleven other smaller parties during the night.

Shortly before daylight early in the week an encounter took place between one of the pickets of a mounted rifle battalion and a party of Germans who appeared to have lost their bearings and approached our lines. The enemy party, although considerably outnumbering the picket, was immediately attacked and dispersed, one prisoner falling into our hands.

After a day of unusual hostile artillery and trench mortar activity on the front of a Montreal battalion, a party of thirty of the enemy attempted to raid our trenches. As the Germans approached our lines they were seen and fired on by a Lewis gun. The hostile raiding party made three separate efforts to reach our lines, but on each occasion they met the same fate, and finally withdrew, leaving their dead lying in front of their own wire.—"Daily Mail."

RIGHTS OF VAKILS.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Feb. 20.

The question as to whether vakils have a right to appear in applications under sec. 195 (b) of the Criminal Procedure Code coming before a Divisional Bench of the High Court from the Calcutta Small Cause Court was further discussed. In a Small Cause Court suit the defendant applied for sanction to prosecute the plaintiff for preferring a false claim. The judge dismissed the application. Against that order an appeal was preferred to the High Court, when this question was raised.

The Advocate-General on behalf of the bar submitted such appeals lay to the Original Side of the High Court.

The Government Pleader representing the Vakils urged that such matters could be dealt with by the Appellate Aide and Vakils had a right to appear.

Justice Teunon held that Vakils had a right to appear in this case, while Justice Chaudhuri held a contrary opinion. Justice Teunon being the presiding judge under the Charter, his opinion prevailed.

THE HILARY BAR EXAMINATION.

SUCCESSFUL INDIAN CANDIDATES.

The following Indian gentlemen were successful at the Hilary Term examination of students of the Inns of Court, held by the Council of Legal Education. L. I. means Lincoln's Inn; I.T., Inner Temple; M.T., Middle Temple; and G.I., Gray's Inn.

Final Examination: Class II (in order of merit: Paramasiva Subbarayan, I.T. (2nd); Huseyn Shaheed Suhrawardy, G.I. (4th); Hamid Hasan, L.I. (7th); Chandra Kisan Daphtary, L.I. (8th); Prabhakar Daji Khare, L.I. (10th). Class III. (in alphabetical order): Hafiz Mohamed Baksh, M.T.; Sagar Chand, L.I.; Prince Abdul Karim Khan, I.T.; Mohammed Ali Khan, L.I.; Chuni Polpai, G.I.; Seshagiri Kakulavarapu Rau, G.I.; Vaman Gopal Tambe, L.I.; Thakurdas Yasanmal Thadani, G.I. Examined 41; passed, 33.

Roman Law.—Class I.—Henry Nurul Azam Khundkar, L.I.; Kaikhushroo Pestonji Padshah, L.I. Class II.—Prabodh Chandra Ghosh, G.I.; Chuni Lal Mathur, I.T. Class III.—Sudhi Ranjan Das, G.I.; Ram Narain Dhawan, G.I.; Sitaram Sampatrao Gaikwar, L.I.; Ponnambala Thiaga Rajan, I.T.; Rustonji Pestonji Wallace, G.I. Examined 48; passed, 29.

Constitutional Law.—Class III.—Mirza Hosain Ali Khan, I.T.; Krishna Chandra, M.T.; Yeshwantrao Ganpatrao Gaekwad, I.T.; Sitaran Sampatrao Gaikwar, L.I.; Prabodh Chandra Ghosh, G.I.; Ibrahim Sulaiman Haji, G.I.; Abul Wafa Mohamad Abdul Haque, M.T.; Ganpati Kambiranda, G.I. Examined, 27; passed, 17.

Criminal Law and Procedure.—Class II.: Sanniasi Venkataswami, M.T. Class III.: Krishna Chandra, M.T.; Dhirendra Mohan Dhar, G.I.; Ram Narain Dhawan, G.I.; Sitaram Sampatrao Gaikwar, L.I.; Prabodh Chandra Ghosh, G.I.; Ganpati Kambirandu, G.I.; Jalaluddin Akbar Kureishi, G.I.; Krishnan Chandrasekharan Pandalai, M.T. Examined, 38; passed, 29.

Real Property and Conveyancing.—Class II: Seshagiri Kakulavarapu Rau, G.I.; Class III.: Sunampadu Arumugam, M.T.; Malik Firoz Khan, I.T.; Chuni Lal Sawhney, L.I.; Benoyendra Nath Seal, L.I. Examined, 21; passed, 16.

Hindu and Mahomedan Law.—Class I: Chuni Lal Mathur, I.T. Class II: Lakhpat Rai Bhugra, G.I.; Brij Mohan Lal, M.T.; Sanniasi Venkataswami, M.T. Class III: Ajit Kumar Dhar, G.I.; Mazhar-ul Islam, L.I.; Syed Hasan Abid Jafry, G.I.; Sayed Mohammad Saleem, I.T.; Satolur Sundaia Suryananayanan, G.I. Examined, 12; passed, 9.

UNA HOPKINS MEMORIAL WAR WORKROOM.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—As this is the anniversary of the opening of the above Room, I shall feel very greatly obliged if you will be kind enough to find space in your valued journal for a short account of the work that is done there, and also for the list of the "turn out" since its inception just a year ago.

Before all else, we have to record our very grateful thanks to Mr. Jehangir Modi, the Proprietor of the Apollo Hotel, for having so generously placed at our disposal for the whole year, the Room in which we work, absolutely free of charge with lights and fans; and this at a time when he never has a vacant room, and must have often needed this one which we use.

It is very gratifying to find, with but few exceptions, the same names on the books and the same faithful workers attending the Room; and of those missing it is because the owners have left the country.

We are inclined also to pat ourselves on the back that the Room still maintains its character of "a happy family," for we have been mercifully spared the foolish bickerings and squabbles which sometimes mar otherwise good work.

We have some new recruits but could do with many more; there is work, including rolling bandages, to suit all those who wish to do a little "bit," expert or otherwise, and as the Room is open each morning between 10 a.m. and 1-30 p.m. and each afternoon, except Saturday, between 5 p.m. and 7-30 p.m., they can choose any time that suits them best, and may be assured of a welcome whenever they care to come.

The appended list shows what a variety of articles are made and it should be stated that of the slippers, hospital bags, washing gloves and handkerchiefs, the much larger portion of the material for these has been given by the ladies of the Room.

Thanking you in anticipation.—Yours, etc.

THE PRESIDENT.

115, Apollo Hotel, Feb. 21.

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EUROPEAN AND INDIAN THOUGHT.

Speaking on Vashnavism in mail week before the Societe Internationale de Philologie, Sciences et Beaux Arts, Mr. Harendranath Maitra said that in Europe since the time of Kant and Hegel there had been a great deal of criticism in religion and philosophy, but no creation. The Western imagination had been lost in things of the earth, regarding them as the object of life. The daring outlook into the realm of the infinite and the absolute, the firm grasp of universality, the overpowering sense of the invisible world of which our spirits were the denizens even now and here, the vision of the divine in the human—not in remote history, but in the living present—had all been lost in the bewildering complexity of the knowledge of phenomena and the multitudinous interests of special sciences. Materials had been collected that might be used to build a wonderful house for a new system of the world and for a universal religion, but it was all as dry bones awaiting the breath that should stir them into life. This could come from the metaphysical genius and the science of the absolute of the Hindus. These were exactly fitted to infuse new blood into the European philosophy, and to rouse its dormant activity, for the Hindu saw the species in the individual, the essence in the appearance, and the ideal in the real. Above all, he had the sense of cosmic unity, which enabled him to see the whole in the part. Connected with this was his supreme gift of unifying thought and life, speculation and practice, philosophy and religion.—"The Indiaman."

CHURCH AND STATE.

NATIONAL SERVICE FOR CLERGY.

DR. LANG ON STATE CLAIMS

The Archbishop of York, in his presidential address at the York Diocesan Conference held on January, 23 said he was quite impenitent as to the wisdom of the Bishops' decision to discourage the clergy from entering the combatant service, but, while the special national service of the clergy must be maintained, it must also be adjusted to meet the urgency of the new needs of the State, says "The Times."

Some of the clergy, Dr. Lang went on, must be set free, wholly or partly, for other branches of national work. If a Bishop could be satisfied that sufficient provision could be made, he might rightly consent to a parish priest offering all or part of his time to other branches of national service.

Dealing with the report of the Archbishops' Committee on Church and State, he said that Parliament had no title to exercise the executive and legislative power which it alone possessed because it had long ceased to be in any real sense representative of the Church; but Parliament represented the nation, and so long as the nation had that special interest in religion which was expressed by the Established Church, it must claim, and rightly, ultimate control. He was satisfied that the lines of the report pointed the road along which the Church must now move.

The Master of Balliol was to have introduced a discussion on the report of the Archbishops' Committee, but being confined to his bed by an attack of bronchitis, he wrote in reference to the recommendations for securing the spiritual independence of the Church that the new Church Council implied real representation and meant the enlisting of the adequate co-operation of the laity.

declaring that the Conference, believing that it is desirable to secure in the relation sof Church and State a fuller expression of the spiritual independence of the Church as well as of the national recognition of religion, welcomed the report of the Archbishops' Committee on Church and State, and commended it to the earnest allegiance of all members of the Church in the diocese.

THE E.C.U. AND CHURCH REFORM.

The report of the Archbishops' Committee on the Relations of Church and State was considered yesterday at a meeting of the English Church Union, which was held at the Caxton Hall, Westminster, with Lord Halifax, the president, in the chair.

Sir Walter Phillimore was to have delivered an address, but he was prevented from being present, and his paper was read in his absence. His criticism on the report was that in style it was too ambitious, and excited fears, at any rate, if not hopes, which were alien to its real purport. It provided for a measure of reform at the suit and instance of the Church which imposed nothing on the Church, nor did it take away anything from the Church. It was facultative, and, on the whole, he concluded that it was a valuable contribution towards an improvement in the relations of Church and State.

The Rev. A. E. Oldroyd (vicar of St. James's, West Hampstead), remarked that, while the union welcomed the report as an honest attempt to deal with a difficult problem, it involved the surrender of full spiritual independence. He hoped the proposed scheme would be amended.

The Rev. Paul Bull thought they ought t ogive the report an encouraging, reception, and try to make it better.

Lord Halifax said that while they had objections to the report, they must also recognize that there was a good deal in it which was worthy of consideration. What the report did was to provide a scheme by which the consent of the State was to be obtained to the legal enforcement of spiritual power. He mentioned several objections that could be raised against the report, and added that they had hoped for a clear statement of the rights of the Church of England as a spiritual body, and for entire freedom in regard to spiritual matters without detriment to its relations with the State.

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HUNGRY GERMANS AT RUHLEBEN.

SCRAMBLE FOR PRISONERS' LEAVINGS.

Wearing the white cross, superimposed on the red disc—the distinctive badge of all civilians returned from Germany—nine more repatriated prisoners arrived here by the Flushing boat the evening, wrote the Gravesend correspondent of "The Times," on January 13. All are over 45, and few are under 55. All men of 55, except a ship's captain, are discharged; the mistress of the Seas must not have the benefit of the services of a man who understands the navigation of a ship.

I talked with half a dozen of the men, all of whom desired that their names should not be mentioned, as the Germans read the statements in the English papers and retaliate on those known to be their friends. One told me something of the conditions of Ruhleben camp during the two years he was a prisoner there. He was first sent to Giessen, where he came into contact with some of our own soldiers, all of whom were treated with scant consideration. Afterwards he was removed to Ruhleben, where the conditions for the first 12 months were horrible. They improved about 18 months ago, about which time parcels began to arrive from England. "People wonder why we look so well, when the German folk are thin, pinched, and starved," said one of the returned men, "but it is not a matter for surprise when it is remembered that we have been kept by our own folks at home."

Life in the camp was made tolerable by the general cheerfulness; the British were never down-hearted. But according to the members of the party, a wonderful change has come over the Germans. The arrogance of the early days of the war has entirely disappeared. No longer do the guards hustle the captives, no longer do they threaten them, or boast of what they are going to do to the hated English. They are distinctly friendly and, what is more, longing for the war to end. Every guard has seen service at one or other of the fronts, and the experience of the might of the Allies has been disciplinary. But there is one thing at Ruhleben which is almost unendurable, and that is the mud.

NO MEDICAL COMFORTS.

All the half-dozen who told me their stories have been for various periods in the sanatorium at Ruhleben, a place more tolerable. Here Germany's poverty is strikingly revealed. There are absolutely no medical comforts of any description. The nurses are very kind and solicitous, but they are not on duty in the institution the whole day. Their services are required elsewhere. They will not talk of affairs outside, but one of the officials, who was communicative, remarked again and again, "The conditions in the Fatherland are horrible."

The Germans are very fond of boasting of how they have broken the British blockade with the Deutschland submarine, and declare that 140 similar U-boats are being built to carry on Germany's trade and commerce. The British are fond of making the inquiry, "Where's the Bremen?" but the only answer the Germans make is a shrug of the shoulders.

The Ruhleben Sanatorium is in a residential quarter in which well-to-do people live. At first these people were very arrogant towards the prisoners, and the children especially, taught by the elders, were most insolent. They are now glad to linger around the compounds and eagerly snatch the bits of the food sent out from home, which the English toss over the 8 ft. wire fence to them. That incident was even more eloquent of Germany's real economic condition than the long queues of people standing outside the shops waiting for food—a sight which they saw as they came along in the trams from Ruhleben to the railway station.

One of those I spoke to, who knows Germany well, declared there is no movement to force peace, but it is the only thing the people want. They are so well drilled, however, that there is not the slightest chance of any rebellion or uprising. The mass levy has begun, but in some places only voluntarily. It is the big towns which suffer from the scarcity of food; in the South of Germany it is more plentiful, but the south will not let it go. There is no business in Berlin; it is exceedingly quiet. Everything is deteriorating.

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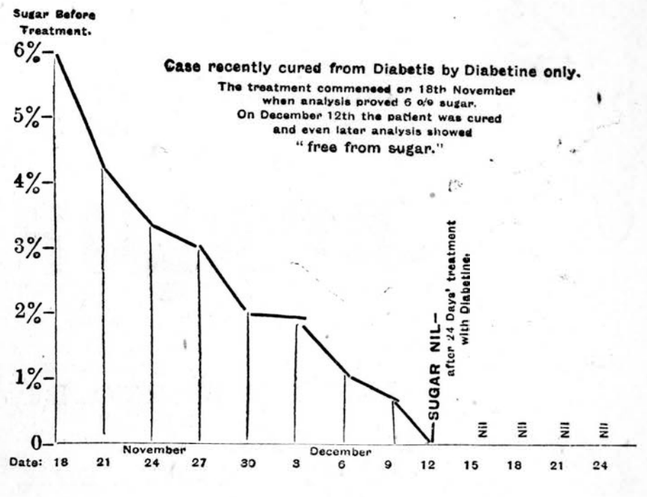
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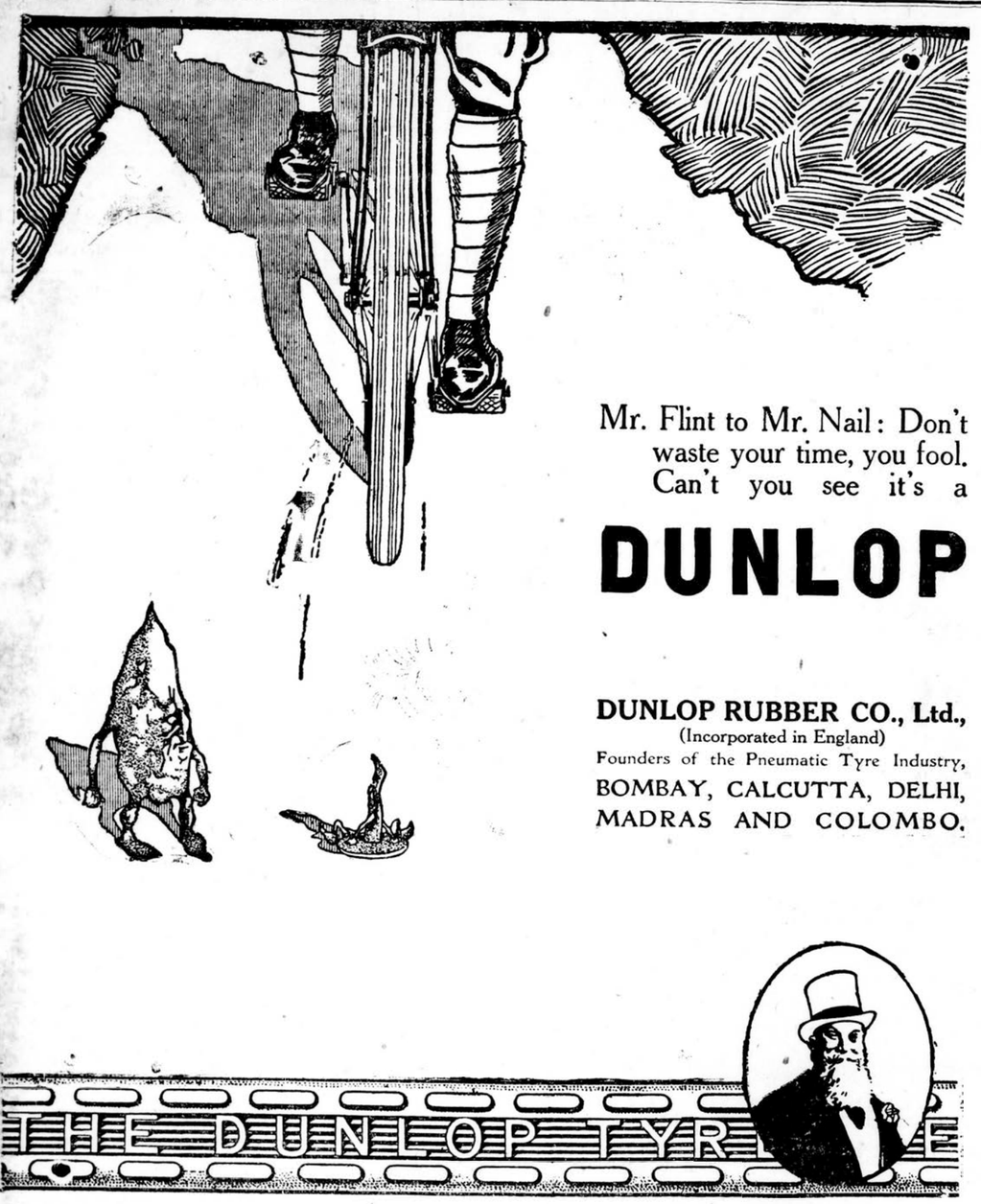

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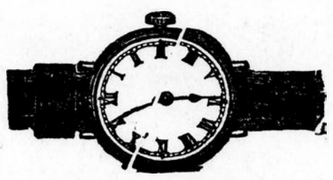

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